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*Dear Nick,*

**LAKER CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT: CLAIMS BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS**

Thank you for your letter of 15 January.

I am quite content both with the proposal that departments should not submit claims under the terms of the class action settlement, and with the draft Answer. I do not, however, think it would be right for a Treasury Minister to give an Answer which leans so heavily on matters of aviation policy. In cases such as this it is the usual practice for the departmental Minister to inform Parliament.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, Cabinet colleagues and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

*Yours,*

*JH*

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