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Thank you for your letter of 21 February about TVEI. I very strongly support your proposals for the next stage of development from the original Initiative.

I agree that officials should now prepare detailed proposals within the broad framework which you have set out. Our objective is to promote relevance and the practical application of knowledge, skills and understanding throughout all schools and colleges as part of the mainstream of curricular policy. Education Department officials will, I understand, be increasingly involved, with yours, in this work and in particular are already at work on the curricular criteria which would be appropriate to the new phase, in the light of what is said in "Better Schools".

The funding of your proposals is not a matter for me, but the sums concerned are certainly modest in relation to need, and you and I are I think agreed that the development needs to be supported by additional funds within the new specific grant arrangements for in-service training. I shall be writing shortly to E (LA) colleagues with proposals.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister and other recipients of yours.

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