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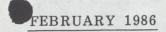
My Secretary of State would be grateful if you would inform the Prime Minister that the Boundary Commission for Scotland intends to conduct an interim review of 14 parliamentary constituencies in Scotland. This is an appropriate consequence of changes in local authority boundaries, including minor adjustments which were not controversial, and should not be so in the present context.

We are arranging for an announcement in Parliament later this month by means of a Written Question and Answer, of which I attach a copy.

I am copying this letter to Steven Boys Smith at the Home Office and Joan MacNaughton at the Office of the Lord President.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

: To ask the Secretary of State for Scotland, whether the Boundary Commission for Scotland intends to conduct any interim reviews of parliamentary constituencies; and if he will make a statement.

MR MALCOLM RIFKIND:

The Boundary Commission for Scotland has informed me that it intends to conduct an interim review of 14 parliamentary constituencies under section 2(3) of the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act 1949. The constituencies are as follows:

Dumbarton CC and Stirling CC

East Lothian CC, and Roxburgh and Berwickshire CC

Hamilton BC and East Kilbride CC

Ayr CC and Cunninghame South CC

Clackmannan CC, and Perth and Kinross CC

Edinburgh South BC and Midlothian CC

Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC, and Clydebank and Milngavie CC.

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