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Dear Lord Goodd,

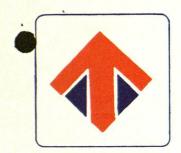
Thank you so much for your letter of 29th April enclosing your excellent note on the Scottish Cup Final. I am afraid my own knowledge of the S.F.A. is next to nothing so I am most grateful for your help.

I look forward to seeing you in Perth.

Your, John

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Jear John,

I enclose as briefing material which may be helpful, some information on the two teams who will participate in the Scottish Cup Final on Saturday 14th May, 1988.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Kind regards.

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Lord Goold

SCOTTISH CUP FINAL AT HAMPDEN PARK, SATURDAY, MAY 14,1988

Green White CELTIC Versus DUNDEE UNITED Orange / Black

CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB are celebrating their 100th birthday, and I would like to take this opportunity of congratulating them on reaching this important milestone.

And I know that the club founded in 1888 to help the poor in the East End of Glasgow will go on to achieve even greater feats than those won in the first 100 years.

However I have taken a look back at some of the great feats of this distinguished Scottish side. In 1938 they won the Empire Exhibition Cup, The Coronation Cup in 1953 and the first British side to win the European Cup in 1967.

The manager of the team that planned the European triumph was Jock Stein with the present Celtic manager Billy McNeill his captain. They both achieved a joint world record by winning nine successive league championships. Celtic have won the League championship 35 times, the Scottish Cup 27 times and the League Cup nine times. In addition the late Sir Robert Kelly, chairman of the club and later President held the two top posts in football, President of the Scottish Football Association and President of the Scottish Football League.

The present Chairman of Celtiic Football Club is Mr.Jack McGinn, who is also a member of the Scottish Football League Management Committee and a member of the Scottish Football Association Council, sitting on the International Committee.

The Senior Director of the club is James Farrell, MA, LLB, who is a former member of the Scottish Football Association.

Manager of Celtic is Billy McNeill, who was awarded the M.B.E. for his services to football. After his distinguished career as Celtic captain and an international player for Scotland, Billy was manager of Clyde and Aberdeen before returning to manage Celtic. With a four year break in English football as manager of Manchester City and Aston Villa, Billy returned to Scotland to take over Celtic for the second time. Married, his wife is Elizabeth and they have four daughters and one son.

Roy Aitken is club captain of Celtic and also for Scotland.He doesn't want to play for any club but Celtic.

Chris Morris, who joined the club this season from Sheffield Wednesday, is a former England Schoolboy internationalist, but plays for his mother's country, the Republic of Ireland.

Paul McStay, Scotland's Player of the Year, has represented his country at every level. His two great uncles, Jimmy and Willie McStay both played for Celtic and Jimmy was also manager for a spell.

Andy Walker, the son of an Accountant, is in his first season as a Celtic player joining them from Motherwell, and is among the top goal scorers in Scotland.

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DUNDEE UNITED have done a great job for Scottish football and their fans are credit not only to Scotland but Britain and Europe. F.I.F.A., the top governing body of World football have awarded them the Fair Play award for 1987 for the Sporting way in which they accepted defeat in the U.E.F.A. Cup final.

The Chairman of the club, 74 year old, George Fox is a retired accountant and along with the late Johnston Grant, who was chairman for a spell, have played a great part in making Dundee United one of the strong challengers in Scottish football.

Johnston Grant's brother, George Grant is Vice-Chairman.

Manager of Dundee United, Jim McLean, saw his team win the Scottish Championship in 1982-83 and two League Cup wins in 1979-80 and 80-81. This is their third Scottish Cup final at Hampden losing to Celtic and St. Mirren. They hope this time to be successful. Manager McLean's wife is Doris and they have two sons.

A joiner to trade, Jim M. Lean has built four houses in his

over as captain of the team last spare time. Maurice Malpas, took November, and is also a Scottish internationalist.

Davie Narey, a long servant of the club is also a Scottish

Kevin Gallacher is one of the bright players in Scotland and a internationalist. great future is forecast. His grandfather, Patsy Gallacher has been described as the greatest Celtic player of all time.

REFEREE GEORGE SMITH is from Edinburgh and is a top Civil Servant in the Scottish Office. Has been a referee since he was 16 years of age. His wife Pamela is also a former Civil Servant. They have two young children.