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RESTRICTIVE TRADE PRACTICES AND THE PROFESSIONS

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David Young has written to Nigel Lawson and colleagues clarifying the application of the new restrictive trade practices' regime to the professions. The Lord Chancellor's Green Papers on restrictive practices in the legal profession have been drafted to reflect the approach which DTI will be setting out in a White Paper on restrictive practices in the Spring.

The approach outlined by David Young is clearly right. The Treasury are content with the DTI approach. The main difficulty is likely to come from the medical profession.

It would be helpful if you could write saying that it has been endorsed by the Prime Minister. We can then wait and see what line the Department of Health take as far as the medical profession are concerned.

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