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The Rt Hon John Major MP Chief Secretary HM Treasury Parliament Street LONDON SWIP 3AG

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Thank you for your letter of 30 November.

I share your regret that the Bill as published does not include the provisions on fees and charges that E(LF) agreed in February. Parliamentary Counsel has instructions on them, but unfortunately, as you know, we had to accept that, if the Bill was to be introduced this month, it would not contain this item.

I hope that it will be possible to introduce the necessary provisions as Government amendments.

I am copying this letter to members of E(LF), First Parliamentary Counsel and Sir Robert Armstrong.

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