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FROM THE PRIVATE SECRETARY
TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR WALES

25 November 1988

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Dear Alison

WELSH RATE SUPPORT GRANT SETTLEMENT 1988/89

I am writing to give you notice of my Secretary of State's intention to lay the Welsh Rate Support Grant Report 1989/90, together with Supplementary Reports for 1988/89, 1987/88 (No 2) and 1986/87 (No 3), before the House of Commons in December.

As you know, the Welsh Rate Support Grant Report for the coming year, along with any Supplementary Reports, is announced by way of an oral statement on the day that the Reports are laid. This is followed by a debate on the Reports.

We are currently consulting on the details of the Reports and expect to be in a position to lay them on Thursday 8 December. This would mean that, after consideration by the Scrutiny Committee on 13 December, the Reports could be debated by the House during the week commencing 19 December.

My Secretary of State is conscious of the pressures on the Parliamentary timetable before the Christmas recess but we should be grateful if you could arrange for a short debate on the Reports during the week commencing 19 December.

/I am....

Ms Alison Smith
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The Rt Hon John Wakeham MP
Lord President of the Council
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I am copying this letter to Murdo Maclean and Rhodri Walters in the Chief Whip's office; to the Private Secretaries of E(LF) members; and to Trevor Woolley in Sir Robin Butler's office.

Yours sincerely
Keith

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