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16 May 1985

Dear Mike

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL: LORDS AMENDMENTS

Lord Whitelaw has seen your Minister's letter to Patrick Jenkin of 15 May and has commented as follows:

"I accept with considerable reluctance, but I hope that as little as possible will be said until the Bill has had its report stage. We cannot take a sensible view until we see the whole picture."

I am sending copies of this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Prime Minister, the Secretaries of State for the Environment, Home Department, Education and Science, Social Services, Trade and Industry, Employment, Transport, the Lord Privy Seal, the Chief Secretary, the Chief Whips of both Houses and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours Sincerely
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