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From the Principal Private Secretary

SIR ROBIN BUTLER

REVIEW OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

I have shown the Prime Minister your minute of 9 June about the four press articles on the Government's review of the National Health Service which appeared last week.

The Prime Minister agrees, very strongly, that you should ask Departments to make arrangements to implement the two recommendations described in paragraph 6 of your minute. She has said that she was horrified when she read these articles, which could only have been prepared with the help of someone who had inside knowledge.

I am sending a copy of this minute to the Private Secretaries to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary of State for Social Services.

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