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Dear Geoffrey,

REVIEW OF RAWP

The Chief Secretary has seen your letter of ^{*Hay*} 20 June to Paul Gray and his reply of 24 June.

The Chief Secretary too is content with the terms of the proposed statement. As regards the basis for health authorities' 1989-90 plans, he considers that the resource assumptions should not be based too rigidly on the existing formula but should be wide enough to encompass a deceleration of the RAWP redistribution process.

I am copying this letter to Paul Gray (No.10), Jon Shortridge (Welsh Office), David Watkins (Northern Ireland Office), David Crawley (Scottish Office) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Yours,
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JILL RUTTER
 Private Secretary