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From the Secretary of State for ~~Health~~ Health

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Dear Paul

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT OF THE NHS

As you know, following the last Ministerial Group meeting on the NHS Review, we were charged with bringing forward detailed proposals on the operation and structure of the NHS Management Executive and its relationship with Ministers, the NHS Policy Board, the Department of Health and the NHS.

I now attach a set of papers which seek to fulfil this remit. Much of the work has been done under the supervision of Sir Roy Griffiths and Sir Christopher France and so the covering paper carries their names. Both my Secretary of State and Duncan Nichol have been closely involved throughout and are content with the approach set out in the papers.

I am copying this letter and attachments to the Private Secretaries to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Chief Secretary, the Secretaries of State for Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland and the Minister for Health, and to Sir Roy Griffiths, Sir Christopher France, Duncan Nichol, Ian Whitehead, Richard Wilson and Sir Robin Butler.

Yours

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Private Secretary