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From the Private Secretary

8 May 1990

Dear Andy,

IMPLEMENTATION OF NHS REFORMS

The Prime Minister was grateful for the Health Secretary's minute of 2 May setting out his proposals on implementation of the NHS reforms. She has also seen a copy of the Chief Secretary's letter of 3 May, arguing the case for phasing in the implementation, both in order to smooth the introduction of the reforms and to reduce the short-term public expenditure cost.

The Prime Minister considers that the next step should be a discussion on the implementation of the reforms with your Secretary of State, the Chancellor and the Chief Secretary. I will be in touch shortly to arrange a suitable time.

I am copying this letter (plus your Minister's minute) to John Gieve (Treasury) and Carys Evans (Chief Secretary's Office).

Yours

Barry

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