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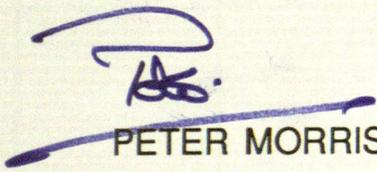
In case we did not have a chance to have a word today, I thought I would bring you up to date on the Scottish position.

Russell is now beginning to settle in to the job as Chairman. He is working closely with Kenneth Baker and, of course, Malcolm as well. The particularly good news is that he spent a night with Michael Forsyth and that relationship, too, is working well, although they disagree on this and that.

James Goodsman is being appointed today as Director of Organisation in Scotland. As you know, he has a strong Scottish accent and worked his apprenticeship as an Agent and ended up with Betty Harvey-Anderson before he moved south, and so he knows his way around. In due time, Russell intends to reorganise the vice-chairmen of the Party, which will involve both Donald Maclean and Bill Walker retiring. At this stage, he does not want a word to be said about it, because he is concerned that Bill Walker should not assume a martyr's crown.

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Finally, I am arranging for a slot in your Diary for Russell to come and have a word after the Conference.


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