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cc: Hunt

10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

17 May, 1983

Dear Lord Plowden,

I am writing to thank you for the reports which you recently submitted on Parliamentary pay and allowances and on the salaries of those senior public servants within your standing terms of reference.

As you will know, the Government has decided to postpone decisions on these reports until after the election. I am most grateful to you and your colleagues for the careful work which has gone into the preparation of both these reports. It is most valuable to have the advice of your Review Body on these matters.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

The Lord Plowden,

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Michael Scholar, Esq
Private Secretary
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16 May 1983

Dear Michael,

REVIEW BODY ON TOP SALARIES

... I enclose a draft letter for the Prime Minister to send to Lord Plowden, acknowledging the recent TSRB reports, as requested in your letter of 12 May. You will see we have made no reference to the timing of Lord Plowden's retirement as Chairman of the TSRB.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret O'Mara

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DRAFT LETTER FOR SIGNATURE BY THE PRIME MINISTER TO:

Lord Plowden
Chairman
Review Body on Top Salaries
Office of Manpower Economics
22 Kingsway
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I am writing to thank you for the reports which you recently submitted on Parliamentary pay and allowances and on the salaries of those senior public servants within your standing terms of reference.

2. As you will know, the Government has decided to postpone decisions on these reports until after the election. ~~[Although we have expressed our reservations about the recommendations on Ministerial and Parliamentary pay]~~ I am most grateful to you and your colleagues for the careful work which has gone into the preparation of both these reports. It is most valuable to have the advice of your Review Body on these matters.

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Peter LeCheminant

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From the Private Secretary

12 May 1983

Review Body Reports

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you and all those concerned for all your efforts in getting the Review Body Reports ready for publication today, in what must be record time. We could not have managed this without you, and we are all very grateful for the way in which you helped us out in what otherwise would have been a difficult situation.

Please pass our thanks here to all concerned.

M. C. SCHOLAR

P.F. Chambers, Esq.

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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

12 May 1983

Review Body on Top Salaries

I attach letters from Lord Plowden dated 29 April and 30 March, with which he enclosed the TSRB's two Reports which were published today.

BF I would be grateful for draft replies for the Prime Minister's signature, by Monday 16 May.

M. C. SCHOLAR

Miss Margaret O'Mara,
HM Treasury.



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✓ CF - letter sent 17.5.83

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News with,

I think the pm has already written to Lord Plowden thanking him for these reports. Pl check. if she has not, pl type.

TSRB REPORTS

Now that the dust has settled on the 2 reports of the Top Salaries Review Body the Prime Minister may wish to send a short letter of thanks to Lord Plowden. The enclosed draft might be useful.

WJH
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I am sending a copy of this letter to David Heyhoe in the Lord Privy Seal's Office and David Beamish in the Lord President's Office.

*Yours ever,
J O Kerr.*

J O KERR

DRAFT LETTER FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO SEND TO :

Lord Plowden KCB KBE

I am writing to thank you for the time and trouble which you and other members of the Review Body on Top Salaries put into the Sixth Report on Top Salaries, and the Review of Parliamentary Pay and Allowances.

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~~2. The Government~~ has, as you know, decided that your proposals on pay for Senior Public Servants should be implemented in full from 1 January 1984.

~~3.~~ So far as Parliamentary pay and allowances go, not all your proposals have been implemented in full. Nevertheless, the reaction of both Houses of Parliament to the recommendations are a testimony to the thoroughness with which you examined these matters. I know I speak for Members of both Houses when I ~~express appreciation of~~ ^{thank you for} this.

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