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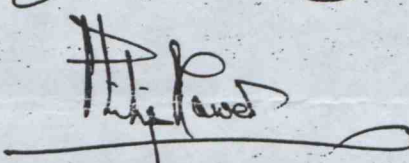
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Dear Mr Darlow,

INDEPENDENT ACCESS STEERING COMMITTEE

The Home Secretary has asked me to thank you for your letters of 8 December to him and other Ministers about your negotiations with the independent television companies.

The Home Secretary is actively considering the position you describe with his colleagues, and in doing so will wish to take into account the outcome of the discussions which he understands you are having with the IBA today. He will write to you himself in the New Year.

Yours sincerely,

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From the Private Secretary

21 December 1987

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BF 11 The Prime Minister's attention has been drawn to the working paper enclosed, which *in folder.* was produced by the Rank Organisation. The Prime Minister would be grateful for your comments on the proposal made in paragraph 4.2 that television transmissions for subscription television could be authorised under the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1948 rather than under the broadcasting legislation.

I am copying this letter to Philip Mawer (Home Office) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

(David Norgrove)

Miss Alison Brimelow,
Department of Trade and Industry.

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