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GUIDELINES FOR THE 1988 SURVEY

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The Defence Secretary has seen the Chief Secretary's minute to the Prime Minister of 11th March on the guidelines for the 1988 survey. He has no comments on the guidelines but he has noted that, as is customary, the reduced uplift for the third year baseline is not intended to prejudge the final outcome of the survey negotiations.

I am sending copies of this letter to Paul Gray (No 10) and to Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Private Secretary

Jill Rutter HM Treasury