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Dear Sara,

BROADCASTING BILL: MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS

Catherine Bannister copied to me her letter of 8 September to Caroline Slocock about the Broadcasting Bill.

My Secretary of State has noted the Home Secretary's intention to retain, for the present, the requirement that the "listed events" should not be shown on a pay-per-view basis. He has also noted that it is the Home Secretary's intention to prune the list as cable television becomes more accessible and to consult on the subject once the Bill has completed its passage. The Home Secretary has recognised that any reduction in the list could cause an outcry among many of those who watch sport on television. My Secretary of State would be very grateful to be kept in touch with future proposals to amend the list.

I am copying this letter to Private Secretaries to members of MISC 128, to Robert Canniff (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office), Gillian Kirton (Lord Privy Seal's Office) and to Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Yours
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Private Secretary

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