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From the Private Secretary

8 August 1990

Dear Swa,

BROADCASTING BILL: QUALITY THRESHOLD

Thank you for your letter of 2 August to Barry Potter which the Prime Minister has seen. This describes the amendments put down by Baroness David to the Broadcasting Bill and sets out the Home Secretary's proposals to deal with them. The Prime Minister had only one comment. She would prefer to minimise the additions to the list of programme types which must be included in Channel 3 services. In particular, she would wish to resist strongly the inclusion of "social action" programmes in this list.

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to other members of MISC 128, to Gillian Kirton (Lord Privy Seal's Office) and Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

Tous Dicely,

(CAROLINE SLOCOCK)

Ms. Sara Dent, Home Office.