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From the Principal Private Secretary

29 June 1984

DHSS REVIEWS

Your Secretary of State reported to the Prime Minister on progress with the current social security reviews. He said that the Government had succeeded in opening a debate on the Welfare State and creating a climate in which reforms could be considered. Arrangements were well advanced for collecting evidence and the aim was to move towards conclusions in the autumn. The No. 10 Policy Unit would be kept in touch with progress. There would be advantage in reconvening in late September a further seminar on the lines of the ones held last autumn and in the early part of this year.

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The Prime Minister welcomed this suggestion. Please will you be in touch with our office about possible dates for a seminar at a time when such a seminar may be helpful in giving guidance on the direction in which the reviews should be going. A convenient period from the Prime Minister's point of view might well be in the first week of October.

I am copying this letter only to Sir Kenneth Stowe.

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