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New Secretary of State

ANDREW HUNTER'S CONTROL OF SMOKE POLLUTION BILL

Thank you for your letter of ¹¹~~10~~ February seeking colleagues' agreement that the text of the Bill attached to your letter should be handed to Andrew Hunter and that the Bill should enjoy Government support.

Malcolm Rifkind wrote endorsing your proposals. No other colleague has commented and this is to confirm that you may take it therefore that you have H Committee's agreement that the Bill should be supported and L Committee's agreement to the text of the Bill which you circulated to Andrew. As with all Private Members' Bills, there is, as you noted, no question of Government time being made available for the Bill.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, Members of H and L Committees and to Sir Robin Butler and First Parliamentary Counsel.

Yours sincerely

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The Rt Hon Nicholas Ridley AMICE MP
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