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From the Private Secretary

21 November 1989

Dear Gillian,

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION BILL

The Prime Minister has seen a copy of your letter of 16 November to Roger Bright.

She notes that the Lord President intends to remove the proposals in the Environment Protection Bill to control stray dogs but will retain those on dog fouling. She has commented that there will be severe criticism if the Government removes proposals on stray dogs. These measures were of course seen as central to the Government's response to the recent spate of Rottweiler attacks on children. She also notes that the Lord President has asked Mr Parkinson to consider the case for removing a number of other measures in the Bill including those which would clarify the responsibilities for street cleaning between the two levels of local authority. The Prime Minister has commented that street cleaning must stay in the Bill. She has said that it is vital and she does hope this part of the Bill will not be cut about.

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to the members of MISC 141 and to Richard Wilson, Philip Mawer and Joan Bailey (Cabinet Office).

*Yours sincerely,
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