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FROM THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WALES

9 November 1989

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Dear Mr Harton,

STRAW AND STUBBLE BURNING

Thank you for copying to us your letter of 24 November to Dominic Morris enclosing a draft of the statement your Minister hopes to make on 30 November announcing a ban on straw and stubble burning.

As you will know from your conversation today with Vaughan Watkin, our Secretary of State is content with the text of the statement but considers it needs to make clear that he is associated with the proposed ban. It was agreed that this could best be achieved by amending the last paragraph of the statement to include "and my Rt Hon Friend the Secretary of State for Wales" after "I" in the first line, changing "me" to "us" in line 3 and amending "I" to "we" where it appears in the rest of the paragraph.

. Copies of this letter go to Dominic Morris (No 10), Steve Catling (Lord President's Office), Roger Bright (Environment), Gillian Kirton (Lord Privy Seal's Office), Colin Walters (Home Office), Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office), Ralph Hume (Lords' Whips), Stephen Leach (Northern Ireland), Jim Gallacher (Scotland) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

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