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From The Parliamentary Under-Secretary

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Dear Kenneth

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FEMALE CIRCUMCISION: LORD KENNET'S BILL

I have seen a copy of your letter of 18 October to Willie Whitelaw about the handling of Lord Kennet's Bill.

I am content with your proposal that our Lords' spokesman should take the line on the Bill's Second Reading that we are prepared to support it if it can be amended in the way outlined in your letter and should offer Government help in drafting the necessary amendments. I agree too that the Bill should be considered by Legislation Committee on that basis.

Copies of this letter go to members of H Committee and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours sincerely

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