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*Dear Callum*

WHITE PAPER ON REGIONAL POLICY

The Secretary of State <sup>TPM</sup> was grateful for the copy of Mr Tebbit's memorandum of 30 November to the Prime Minister, enclosing the draft White Paper on Regional Industrial Development. As he said in his letter of 21 November he believes it would be right to indicate in the White Paper that the Review that has been conducted applies primarily to Great Britain, and is not intended to tackle the somewhat different circumstances of Northern Ireland (though it has obvious implications for policy there). Officials had agreed on the incorporation of a sentence making this point, but it does not seem to be included in the latest text.

The Secretary of State would be grateful if you could incorporate in paragraph 7 (or some other part of the text if you think this would be better) a sentence on the following lines:-

"This Review has been primarily concerned with regional industrial policies in Great Britain and does not deal explicitly with the different circumstances of Northern Ireland".

I am copying this letter to the private secretaries to the Prime Minister, members of E(A) and Sir Robert Armstrong.

*Yours ever*

*Derek*

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