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Dear Tim

WHITE PAPER - HONG KONG

We propose that the report of the Assessment Office in Hong Kong and the separate report of the independent Monitoring Team, both of which should reach us in the week beginning 26 November, should be published as a White Paper before the House debates the agreement which we hope will be during the week beginning 3 December.

The two reports are logically linked in that the Monitors are reporting on the work of the Assessment Office. It can be made clear that the Monitors have reported directly to the Foreign Secretary and the Assessment Office has reported through the Governor by ensuring that, as is the standard procedure, the two reports begin by quoting the terms of reference according to which each unit has operated. An explanatory note on the first inside page will make it clear also that the two reports are entirely separate.

I should be grateful if you, and those to whom I am copying this letter, would kindly confirm as soon as possible that there is no objection to publication.

Yours sincerely
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