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Note: spoke to PM who
was content with this
approach. Spoke then to
John Graham who said
that Scottish office would
be seeking, within this
frame work to negotiate
a friendlier tone to
the letter.

From the Private Secretary

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Prime Minister

Teachers in Scotland have been conducting a campaign of disruption which they are threatening to escalate. The immediate cause of their dissatisfaction is the fact that Scottish teachers last year received 4.5% (non-adjusted) while south of the border there was an adjusted award of 5.1%.

The SJNC (SE) is pressing the Secretary of State to establish an independent body to review salaries. After discussion with colleagues, it has been agreed:

- (i) that Mr Younger will not himself establish a review
- (ii) that he will tell SJNC (SE) that under their statutes they are free to conduct a review themselves but
- (iii) that if they do hold a review it ought to consider conditions of service as well as pay, and pro

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(10) if it looks at both aspects, he will consider its findings "on their merits and in the framework of the Government's existing expenditure plans".

Mr Younger proposes to announce this tomorrow. Content?

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