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From the Private Secretary

21 February 1990

Dear Sac,

ITN SHAREHOLDINGS

Following our earlier telephone conversation you kindly let me see the relevant Hansard extract for the exchanges in the Broadcasting Bill Committee on 15 February concerning the shareholding in ITN. The Prime Minister has now seen this. She feels very strongly that, in line with the earlier decisions of MISC 128, the provision for a 51 per cent shareholding in ITN should be maintained, together with the ITC having the necessary means to secure it.

I am copying this letter to Jane Harrison (David Mellor's Office).

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PAUL GRAY