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From the Private Secretary

26 April 1990

Dean Sona,

BROADCASTING BILL: TRANSITIONAL NETWORK ARRANGEMENTS

Thank you for your letter of 18 April on this subject. I submitted this to the Prime Minister yesterday evening.

The Prime Minister is not attracted to the revised proposals put forward by the Home Secretary.

Instead, the Prime Minister would prefer to pursue an approach which involved the Office of Fair Trading approving the network arrangements but no role for the ITC. She would be grateful if your Secretary of State could construct an approach along these lines.

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to members of MISC 128, to Jim Gallagher (Scottish Office), Stephen Leach (Northern Ireland Office) and Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

> Yours, Bonera

BARRY H. POTTER

Miss Sara Dent, Home Office

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