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BROADCASTING BILL : PERFORMANCE BONDS

I have seen a copy of your letter of 3 May to Norman Lamont about performance bonds, to which I am responding in Nicholas Ridley's absence overseas.

I am happy to agree to your revised proposals which should remove a significant burden from the Channel 3 licensees and lower the barriers to entry for potential new players.

I am copying this letter to members of MISC 128 and to Sir Robin Butler.

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