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From the Private Secretary

18 November, 1982.

Dear David.

The Prime Minister was grateful for your Secretary of State's minute of 2 November about the follow-up to the Cabinet's decision earlier that day about social security and related matters.

The Prime Minister has decided to set up two Ministerial Groups: one on presentational and other issues in relation to the decisions and legislation required for recovery of pensions over-provision: the second to consider the policy and legislative implications of the proposal to break the existing statutory link between the increases in state retirement pensions and index-linked public service pensions.

The Secretary of the Cabinet will be in touch further with your Secretary of State about the arrangements.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

Yours sincerely,

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