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THE PRIME MINISTER

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*Dear Horace*

When you wrote to me on 7 August, you set out your anxiety about work which Janet Young has been undertaking on the future of ILEA. I understand that you have also written direct to her about the timing of her study, and I believe she has now replied to you.

When I asked her to look into this question with the help of a number of colleagues, I made it clear that I wanted a thorough study of the problem. We always knew that it was complex, but I think it has proved even more difficult than we expected.

I am quite sure that neither she nor her colleagues are going to fall for socialist propoganda. They will reach their own judgement on the basis of the facts and the arguments presented, including detailed papers issued by our supporters on ILEA.

*Yours sincerely*

*Raymond*

Sir Horace Cutler, O.B.E.

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