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Since our talk at the end of July I have been on holiday and Peter Thorneycroft has been recovering from illness. You may remember that you suggested that it might be a good idea for the Conservatives to hold a short series of presentations - which you stressed should be of a high quality - to selected businessmen on the likely repercussions of electoral reform and our attitude to them.

Peter and I have now had a talk and this letter is the result. If you still think that the idea is sensible and timely, Peter would be very glad to arrange for such presentations, and his office and yours could perhaps discuss dates, names and details.

May I leave the next step to you - to tell Peter, with perhaps a copy to me, your view? I am copying this to Peter - and sending a copy to Margaret for her information.

KEITH JOSEPH