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THE PRIME MINISTER

6 November 1979

Dear Sir,

I thought that you would find it helpful to have, on Privy Counsellor terms, the attached copy of the draft of the Enabling Bill on Rhodesia which we plan to publish tomorrow afternoon. An additional copy is enclosed for you to give to Peter Shore if you wish, also on Privy Counsellor terms.

We have not been able to introduce the Bill any earlier because it was necessary to table our detailed proposals for the pre-Independence arrangements, which we did last Friday, and to allow the other parties time to respond to them. We had hoped to have a reply yesterday or today.

The Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum will, I believe, answer most of your questions. If, however, you would like to see me, perhaps you would kindly let my office know.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. James Callaghan, MP.