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Dear Paul,

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A brief note to thank you for your helpful moral support in connection with the private discussions about the NHS both before and during last Sunday, to say that I have written the enclosed letter of appreciation to The Prime Minister and also sent a short note of thanks to the various doctors who contributed, for your files.

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One of the things that I worry about most at the moment is the possibility that some reforming elements may drive an awkward wedge between the managers and administrators on the one hand and the professions on the other. I do hope this doesn't arise because it would have very unfortunate effects on the smooth workings of the NHS and the morale of all concerned. Unfortunately the Health Service needs plenty of competition between the services and between different hospitals but minimum competition between the different professions within each unit - collaboration is in my view the buzz word there.

If you saw any use to a combined medical and managers' discussion after the next Chequers meeting, I do hope you'd let me know if there was anything I could usefully do to foster such an occasion or support it morally or in any other way!

With renewed thanks for your help over the last several weeks.

Yours sincerely,

John Gubbins