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From the Private Secretary

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I look forward to meeting you on 24 April.

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cc: Sue Goodchild

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Please let the Invitations Secretary here at Downing Street know if you will be able to attend. She will then send you an admittance card to Chequers and a map.

PAUL GRAY

N.D.W. Weaver, Esq.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

13 April 1988

Private

Dear Mr. Weaver

I found our discussion on the health service over the Easter weekend most helpful. I am now arranging a private and informal seminar at Chequers on Sunday 24 April, to which I am inviting a number of people involved in the management of both public and private sector hospitals. I hope very much that you will be able to come to this meeting.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

N.D.W. Weaver, Esq.



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Prime Minister

If you are content to sign the attached, I will send Mr. Weaver the usual covering letter about the debited arrangements.

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G.R.

Could you now pl. do the covering letter for me.

RCG

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From the Private Secretary

12 April 1988

Following our telephone discussion I am pleased to enclose, as you requested, a list of those who have been invited to the Chequers seminar on 24 April.

(PAUL GRAY)

K.T. Burgess, Esq.

PAUL GRAY

Address as requested:-

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Dear Sir Donald.

As you will know, we are now actively engaged on a major review of the National Health Service. The work is being co-ordinated by a small group of Ministers, which I am chairing.

But I am also keen to hear the views of those who have first-hand experience of working in the hospital and primary care services. I am, therefore, arranging a private and informal seminar at Chequers on Sunday 24 April, to which I am inviting a number of people involved in the management of both public and private sector hospitals. I hope very much that you will be able to come.

Yours sincerely
Raymond Stalter

Sir Donald Wilson, DL

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PRIME MINISTER

CITEQUERS NITS SEMINAR:

24 APRIL

The enclosed 12 letters are the formal invitations to the list of outside guests you approved over the weekend.

If you could sign them tonight I will put the arrangements in hand like you are away; as for the 27 March seminar I will send a covering letter stressing that you do not want the event to be publicised.

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c/o Sullivan

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From the Private Secretary

5 April 1988

Dear Terry,

CHEQUERS SEMINAR: 24 APRIL

I am writing to confirm that the Prime Minister has now sent out invitations to those on the attached list to attend the second of the Chequers NHS seminars on 24 April. As for the 27 March seminar, the Prime Minister hopes that the Secretary of State for Social Services, the Chief Secretary, your Minister, Sir Roy Griffiths, Mr Richard Wilson and Mr John O'Sullivan will also be able to attend. Arrangements will be the same as on 27 March, with coffee available from 1030 a.m. and the discussion starting at 11 a.m.

The Prime Minister would also like to invite one of the NHS representatives and one of the private health sector representatives to make some opening remarks to start the discussions off. She would be grateful if your Minister could suggest who might be the best individuals to approach for this purpose. It would be most helpful to have your Minister's advice early in the week beginning 11 April.

I am copying this letter to Geoffrey Podger (Department of Health and Social Security), Jill Rutter (Chief Secretary's Office), Sir Roy Griffiths (Department of Health and Social Security) and Richard Wilson (Cabinet Office).

Yours,
Paul.

Paul Gray

Miss Jenny Harper
Department of Health and Social Security.

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