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From the Private Secretary

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MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE NHS IN SCOTLAND

The Prime Minister has seen your letter of 19 June.

She is grateful for your Secretary of State's assurance that there will be effective management arrangements for the NHS in Scotland with clear lines of responsibility. She notes that the Chief Executive will be given a statement of responsibilities which will set out his specific powers - which she assumes will be made public - and that these will include the power to make his own senior appointments subject to clearance in the most senior cases and to decide the performance pay of individual general managers. She would be interested to see the statement when it is available together with the proposed membership of the Management Executive Group.

As with the NHS in England she would be grateful for a progress report in three months' time.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Secretary of State for Health, the Secretary of State for Wales, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, the Chief Secretary, the Deputy Chairman of the NHS Management Board, and to Sir Robin Butler and Richard Wilson (Cabinet Office).

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