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cc Professor Griffiths
Mr. Whitehead

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Thank you for your note on the origins of the story in today's Independent. You will see from Hansard that Rosie Barnes raised this with the Prime Minister at Questions today. The Prime Minister's reply should hold the position for the time being.

Nevertheless, the incident reveals the importance of acting with great care when in No. 10 colours. As you yourself recognise, there are plenty of people who are keen to enliven a humdrum inquiry by padding a reference to Prime Ministerial interest.

I have sent a copy of the letter and your note to Andy McKeon in Mr. Clarke's office.

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