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**FRAUD**

I am most grateful for your speedy positive response to my request for additional resources to help combat fraud.

I confirm that I am happy to proceed on the basis you suggest and that in particular our officials should examine the position in 12 - 18 months time and satisfy themselves that the increase in staff has been reflected in increased output. I also confirm for the record that there is no public expenditure implication in 1986/87 in the increase you have approved in my Department's manpower and running cost limit.

As you suggest, my officials will in due course be making a separate approach to the Treasury on additional staff for the Companies Registration Office when further work has been done on the CRO Corporate Plan.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, the Lord Chancellor, the Attorney General, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, the Home Secretary and Sir Robert Armstrong.

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