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*Dear Richard*

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ELECTIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND) BILL

As you know Legislation Committee agreed yesterday to the introduction of our Elections (Northern Ireland) Bill in the Commons. I would therefore be grateful if you could instruct parliamentary counsel to arrange for notice of presentation to be tabled on Tuesday 6 November for introduction of the Bill at the commencement of public business on Wednesday 7 November, and publication on Thursday 8 November at 3.30 pm.

The Bill should be presented by Mr Secretary Hurd, supported by:

Prime Minister  
Mr Secretary Brittan  
Mr Attorney General  
Mr Peter Rees  
Mr John Biffen  
Dr Rhodes Boyson  
Mr Nicholas Scott  
Mr Christopher Patten

Full publicity is being given to the introduction of this Bill and I should be grateful if you could arrange for 160 copies of the Bill to be delivered to the Vote Office for collection by midday on 8 November. These should be addressed to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

I am sending copies of this letter to Tim Flesher (Prime Minister's Office), Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office), Nigel Pantling (Home Office), Janet Lewis Jones (Lord President's Office), Murdo Maclean (Chief Whips Office, Commons), David Beamish (Chief Whips Office, Lords) and Mr Shillito in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel.

*Yours Sincerely  
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