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HOUSE OF LORDS,
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My dear Willie.

E(LF): COMMUNITY CHARGE - Framework of Duties and Penalties

I have seen a copy of Malcolm Rifkind's letter to you dated 21st October.

I welcome his conclusion that it would not be appropriate to make legal aid available for appeals against the community charge. I should reiterate, however, that the resources implications of the proposals which are made for England and Wales will need to be very carefully considered and I may need to seek additional resources if those proposals lead to an increase in the workload of the courts or an increased use of the Green Form scheme for legal advice.

Copies of this go to Malcolm Rifkind, to the other members of E(LF), to the Lord Advocate, to the Attorney General and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yrs :

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