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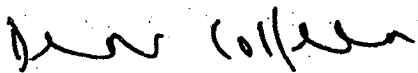
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I said that I would write about a couple of matters following our useful meeting last week.

In particular, I think it important for you to know that the Code of Practice Committee is currently conducting the first full scale review of the Code since the death of Princess Diana. The committee has invited contributions from interested parties –which might include organisations such as the CRE as well as members of the public and journalists themselves. The idea is to ensure that the Code is as relevant as possible. If you would like to contribute to the review, or to let colleagues know about it, the Committee's contact details are:

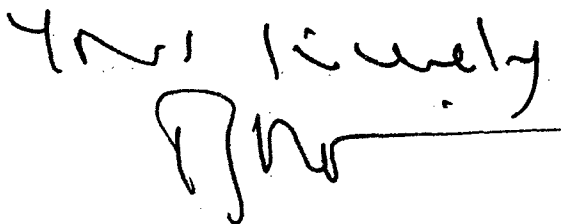
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On another matter, I was grateful to you for confirming that the police are currently looking into the Robert Kilroy-Silk article in the Sunday Express. As you know, there may be issues for the Commission to consider under the Code of Practice, but we would be precluded from doing so whilst there is an ongoing police investigation. It would be very helpful if you could let me know when they conclude their inquiries.

I look forward to keeping in touch on these and other matters of mutual interest.

With kind regards.



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