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Dear Mr Beaumont,

The Home Secretary has received from the Boundary Commissions for England and Wales notices dated 14 April stating their intention to begin reviews of the European Parliament constituencies in England and Wales. He proposes to announce this by way of Parliamentary Questions for Written Answer on Monday 25 April.

.... I enclose a copy of the draft Questions and Answers. I am sending a copy of this letter and enclosure to the Private Secretaries to the Prime Minister, the Lord President of the Council and the Secretary of State for Wales.

Yours sincerely,

Lesley Pallett.

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England

DRAFT QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER ON 25 APRIL

: To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the Boundary Commission for England intends to begin its review of European Parliament constituencies in England.

DRAFT REPLY

The Commission has informed me that it intends to begin its review of European Parliament constituencies in England now that the Order in Council implementing the recommendations in its Third Periodical Report has been made. The Commission sees no prospect of completing its review in time for its recommendations to be implemented at the 1984 elections.

Wales

DRAFT QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER ON 25 APRIL

: To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department, when the Boundary Commission for Wales intends to begin its review of European Parliament constituencies in Wales.

DRAFT REPLY

The Commission has informed me that it intends to begin its review of European Parliament constituencies in Wales now that the Order in Council implementing the recommendations in its Third Periodical Report has been made. The Commission is still unable to estimate how long the review is likely to take.

Parliament

Boundary Commission RWT