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Dear Mr Burns,

Request for meeting at Cancer Research UK's Parliament Day on 27th June 2012 to discuss the impact of the health reforms on cancer services

In advance of Cancer Research UK's Parliament Day on 27th June, I am writing to request a meeting with you on the day. Our Parliament Day will highlight our top priorities for cancer – saving lives through prevention, awareness, early diagnosis and treatment. The day includes a series of high level meetings, a photocall for MPs at our Cancer Awareness Roadshow and a lobby of Parliament by Cancer Research UK supporters from across the UK. The lobby will focus on 'The answer is plain': our campaign for plain packaging of tobacco products to support the Government's consultation.

We hope the meeting would cover the opportunity presented by the tobacco packaging consultation, how the public health system and NHS can work together to promote awareness and early diagnosis and how the NHS should promote world class treatment. This includes an update on our work on radiotherapy services. We are also keen to discuss progress on the Francis Crick Institute.

I hope we will be able to meet you on 27th June and be part of the day. A member of our public affairs team will be in contact with your office shortly and if you have any questions please contact Public Affairs Assistant on 020 3 or by email on

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Woolnough Director of Policy DEPT OF HEALTH RECEIVED

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