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Dear Mark,

Further to our previous correspondence, please see enclosed a letter from Steve Brine, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Health and Public Care at the Department for Health and Social Care, regarding the matter of access to dental services.

As you will see from the enclosed the Department for Health are reviewing how the new contract approach remunerates dentists for treating high-need patients and, in particular, at a form of weighting that ensures equitable access to treatment and fairly reflects the resources required to meet a patient's needs. The Department for Health have been clear that unless the evaluation of the prototypes shows that they work for patients, the NHS, and the profession, then they will not roll them out nationally.

Whilst I appreciate that Steve Brine has now resigned from his position in the government, I hope that you will find the enclosed helpful in your current endeavours.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "George Eustice".

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