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Dear Brodie,

I am sorry you have had to wait so long for a reply to your letter of 4th December about expenditure on accommodation for some of the people in Special Branch. We had a word some days ago about the difficulties which expenditure of this kind gives rise to and I then said that in any case, and until we reached a conclusion, the present arrangements should stand.

We have now reached the conclusion that, for the present year at any rate, the expenditure involved represents a prudent investment and that you ought therefore to maintain the present arrangements until the end of the year. This letter may be taken as authority for doing so.

I think, however, that it would also be prudent to institute a review of the arrangements some time before the end of the year and I would be grateful if you would give us your advice about this about the beginning of November.

Yours sincerely,

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