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Thank you for a useful meeting on Friday. I have discussed the casework with Ed and he agrees with us that we would not expect you to make changes to the press release on this occasion.

The areas that we would flag for future awareness would be:

- Clarity around the fact that the interest rates had not been officially set to 12%, only that they would have been if the policy had not been changed. In some areas of the press release this clear, in others the language is less transparent.
- While we appreciate that you have acted in the best interest of graduates by almost halving the interest rate from what it could have been set to, in the interest of transparency, it would have been useful to include information on the interest rate for the 2021/22 academic year so that the difference between them was clear.

Thanks

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