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At the meeting with the Football Association and the Football League, you said you intended to have a meeting with Lord Aberdare, Chairman of the Football Trust. Mr Macfarlane has since indicated to Lord Aberdare that we will be getting in touch to arrange the meeting.

The Football Trust will play an important part in ensuring grounds take effective action to combat hooliganism, once the Football Association come up with a package of proposals. In particular, the Trust will be important in the area of close-circuit TV, fencing and membership cards. You gave the Association six weeks to report back to you, and it would probably be worth seeing Lord Aberdare before that deadline expires. This should ensure the Football Trust are as receptive and helpful as possible once the FA come up with a package.

Content for us to arrange a meeting? If so, would you wish to have any colleagues present, or to see Lord Aberdare on your own?

MESA

Yes - it would be helpful to have Neil Macfarlane and

Mark Addison  
16 April 1985

Caroline.  
Can we speak pl?  
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