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Dear Fred,

I wanted you to know that I am watching events closely on the ABN front. It is in Scottish interests for RBS to be successful, and I would like to offer any assistance my office can provide. Good luck with the bid.

*Yours faithfully,
Alex*

ALEX SALMOND