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James,

Thank you for your letter of 7 April 2011, outlining your concerns about the decision to discontinue funding for the Training and Development Agency's Postgraduate Professional Development (PPD) programme. You asked to meet me to discuss safeguarding opportunities for teachers to undertake master's level study.

Unfortunately, diary pressures mean that I am unable to meet you in the foreseeable future. However, if you would like to discuss your concerns further with officials please contact Teresa Harper on 020 7340 8186 or at Teresa.Harper@education.gsi.gov.uk.

I would like to take this opportunity to reassure you that those teachers who are currently undertaking a PPD course will be able to continue with their studies for the duration of their course.

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