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10th November 1971.

Dear Peter,

Windfalls

Have had to go back to Hilary's original program for reading in the cards for this!

Yes, it is wrong - the program appears to take the last four digits of the amount and multiply by 10 - i.e. the tens of thousands figure has been cut off and is only recoverable from the questionnaires. (There may not have been anyone affected). If you want to check the questionnaires, I enclose listings of everyone with windfalls (those ticked have already been looked at and are less than £9999).

Then.

- 1) Please let me know what results this affects (preferably by sending back the table) so that I can recalculate windfalls by dividing by 10. This may only be one table - the one that caused the query.
- 2) Circulate to anyone with a copy of the tape layout that the windfalls amount (variable 148) is 10 times too big.

Sorry to have produced yet another error.

Hazel.

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22nd July 1971.

Dear Peter,

Enclosed is your copy of Chap. 6 - the original is with Marion - and the work I did before. I have reworked the subject of our misunderstanding which is on p. 13. I trust it will be O.K. now.

I have just begun reading Chap. 6 so will keep in touch as I progress.

Regards,

Alan Harris



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2nd August 1971

Dear Mr Harrison

I regret to inform you that the information requested by you in your letter of 6 July 1971, is not available in this office as our Annual Sample surveys only cover incomes above the tax exemption limit.

Yours sincerely

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Peter,

Here is the IR's letter. Will see you on Wednesday to discuss it and anything else!

Alan

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| (vi) <u>Price D.W.</u> | (iv) <u>Leser C.E.V.</u> |
| (ii) <u>Forsyth, F.G.</u> | |
| (iii) <u>Friedman, M.</u> | |

$$\frac{Y_i}{X_i} = \frac{K_i}{(X_i)^{1/2}}$$

$$\frac{K_i}{Y_i} = \frac{(X_i)^{1/2}}{X_i}$$

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7th October, 1971.

Dear Peter,

The next small batch to clear out of

my way :

Put in Ch 11. file

~~1) Chapter 11 (all)~~

~~2) Table 9 (various types of income) - with breakdown of annuities etc.~~

3) Table 16 - the assets counterpart to table 9.

NB I have checked up on variable #15 (bonus) -
coding is:
0 = DK
1 = yes
2 = no and DNA.

✓ variable 28 (income tax for self-employed) is
also wrong :
2 = yes
3 = no and most DNA
1 = a few DNA
0 = DK.

✓ It was my error that this is the coding-
sorry about it - luckily it is not as serious
as it might be as we can always separate
out no and DNA by looking at other variables.

Hayel.

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9th July 1971.

Dear Peter,

Thank you for your letter and the "further thoughts" on assets. I feel that I have now done all I can on the first stage and I enclose all my work plus a covering note or two on each piece where it is appropriate. Some things I have not been able to do, others I have improvised where practical. If there is anything further you feel I could do on these please phone extension 2109 and leave a message to ring you back. Also I will be in London the weekend of the 17th July so perhaps it might be worthwhile meeting again then?

Incidentally to give you some idea of my work-rate (which I trust you will find satisfactory) the work enclosed, and the mulling around on less successful parts, took something like 18-20 hours. If you think that I am spending too long on certain areas please don't hesitate to say.

Regards,

Alan Harris

P.S. (dated 12-7-71) I'm sorry about the delay since writing the letter but I had hoped to do one more thing over the weekend and in fact didn't do so until today.

Under £800

32.8

24.5

5.4

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17.2
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