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Sir

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1961 - SECTION 7
29 SOUTH PARK GARDENS BERKHAMSTED

1. I am directed by the Secretary of State for the Environment to refer to the appeal made by Crescourt Loft Conversions Limited on behalf of Mr E Bolton against the refusal of your Council to relax the requirements of Building Regulations E5 and E13(2) in respect of the formation of a room in the roof space of the above premises. Details of the work concerned are shown on a plan now marked "DEPT OF THE ENVIRONMENT 19 NOV 1975 No BRA/VA/3681 PLAN No 2".

2. Careful consideration has been given to the facts of the case and to the representations made on behalf of Mr Bolton and by your Council. The proposals follow the criteria outlined in the appendix to the Department of the Environment Circular 67/71 and therefore it is considered that the deposited plan indicates an acceptable form of construction for this alteration to an existing house and that some modification of the full requirements of the Building Regulations would be reasonable.

3. Accordingly, in pursuance of his powers under section 7(6) of the Public Health Act 1961 the Secretary of State hereby directs that the requirements of Building Regulation E5 (Fire resistance of elements of structure) and E13(2) (Stairways) shall be relaxed in so far as the intended work does not comply with the requirements of those Building Regulations.

4. A copy of this letter has been sent to the appellants' agents.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant

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D. F. R. HAYES

for the Secretary of State

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