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Subject: Sunday meeting follow up
Attachments: Package descriptions.docx; Options.pptx

Simon, Emma,

In the end, I thought that did what it needed to. The conclusion - it's bad, but we aren't stampeding into lockdown, we push on tiers, and we prepare for the big decision - was broadly as we would have anticipated.

We should regroup tomorrow morning to talk about what bits of paper need to go where over the course of the week. Simon - some of those plans may have solidified at Chequers after the meeting or in cars back, so let us know if there's already a proposal.

My sense was that there were four big parts to 'what next':

1. Detailed advice on ramping up tiers
2. Detailed advice on going further than tiers (including 'brutal calculations' on when we need to make this call)
3. Economic modelling on the options (to be folded into the advice above)
4. A series of further meetings to chew the cud, including with an more economic cast list

On item 3, the economic modelling, attached is the commission which [redacted] NR and the team (copied) discussed with HMT on Friday and sent over at the end of the day. My sense was that Stuart G would convene a meeting with us an HMT tomorrow to talk about the economic modelling. That would be helpful - I understand we had good but still somewhat reticent engagement. **I'd suggest getting these docs to Stuart tonight for context, if you agree.**

A big thank you to [redacted] Name Redacted for taking turns to support this meeting over the weekend. It was great work. I know we tried a few different products before settling on one, but that meant that the pitch was quite considered by the time we got there.

Best,
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