



department for
**culture, media
and sport**

Chris Majer
Chief Executive
English Chess Federation
The Watch Oak
Chain Lane
Battle
East Sussex TN33 0YD

25 May 2010

Dear Chris,

DCMS GRANT: 2010/11

I write, further to our telephone conversation this afternoon, to confirm that the English Chess Federation (ECF) grant will be £45,000 in 2010/11, compared to £60,000 in previous years.

This reduction represents part of package of measures across the Department, which contributes to the £6.2 billion of savings that the Coalition Government has committed to in this financial year.

I appreciate that this represents difficult news for you and your organisation. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Funding for the ECF beyond 2010/11 is subject to the next Spending Review, which will take place over the summer with announcements in the autumn. I will keep you in touch with developments.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Burles
Head of Strategy & Elite Sport