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White Paper - a bitter disappointment at a missed opportunity, says ATL

Commenting on the Government's White Paper on 14-19 education, which is due to be published today, Dr Mary Bousted, general secretary of the Association of Teachers and Lecturers (ATL) said:

"Perhaps this White Paper would have been better if it had come after the election. ATL shares the bitter disappointment at a missed opportunity. The Government has ignored a carefully developed consensus and has failed to provide the leadership needed for reform. In going for votes, the Government has misread the growing dissatisfaction with the 14-19 curriculum and qualifications amongst pupils and parents as well as teachers."