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DISPERSAL OF CIVIL SERVANTS

I have read with interest recent correspondence about the dispersal review and I was glad to see from your letter of 4 June that there will be ample scope for discussion in advance on the nature and scope of the review.

I have a special and direct interest because of the dispersal of MOD staffs. Local interest in the MOD dispersal to Cardiff (for which the necessary work is underway) is great and has been heightened in the past week by a series of events relating to the dispersal sponsored by the Ministry of Defence. The suggestion that there is to be a review has already led to a natural reaction of doubt about our intentions and this may well increase when the review is announced formally. The quicker we can dispel that doubt the better.

I am sending copies of this letter to the Prime Minister, members of the Cabinet, including the Minister of Transport, and Sir John Hunt.

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