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Meeting at Flood St April 1st 1979

1. Council of Advisers

Rose. Brittan. Zijlstra. A Burns. Burns/Budd. Minford. Matthews.

2. Treasury

KJ to call Laidler, to arrange a "no-commitment" conversation at the end of April. GH to pursue Haddon Cave, and Rose.

3. Rayner Unit

Site in Cabinet Office, and arrange close Treasury liaison. Watingati

4. <u>Nationalised Industries</u>

GH and KJ to pursue the idea of a Co-ordinating Minister, and to pursue the wider issue of denationalisation, presenting it in a suitable light.

5. CPRS

No major changes possible to begin with, but imperative to clarify its new role at the outset.

ANR to find out more about the current staff.



6. Price Commission.

Douglas Hague to take over.

7. Assistant to No. 10 Political Secretary

To be filled, a la Parris, by a member of CRD, with fairly frequent changes.

8. Lord Cockfield

GH to talk to Lord C about an assistant.

9. City Liaison

Present arrangements for the Leader to be switched to a Junior Treasury Minister.

10. Professor Sykes

Reported by KJ to be standing by. Industry? Employment ??

11. Other Friends

Consider who else to consider!

12. Ministerial dossiers

GH and KJ to liaise where appropriate. MT to see draft personal letters for a dozen or so departments prepared by KJ.



13. "Political Cabinet Meetings"

It was agreed that these would be arranged on a regular basis. Initially frequency of one a month might be sensible, on a regular day in the month. The frequency could be reduced once things had settled down. Such meetings would offer a valuable opportunity to bring the Chairman into discussions with the Cabinet.

14. Pre-Election contacts with officials.

These would go ahead, in the light of the recent letter from the Prime Minister. MT would give guidance to colleagues about the procedure to be followed at the next meeting of Steering. No consultations would take place until clearance from MT had been obtained.



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