

U-TURN

What, then, stands in our way?

The prospect of another Winter of Discontent?

I suppose it might.

But I prefer to believe that certain lessons have been learned from experience: that we are coming slowly, painfully, to an Autumn of Understanding.

I hope it will be followed by a Winter of Commonsense.

If it isn't, we shall not be diverted from our course.

To those waiting with bated breath for that favourite media catch phrase the U-turn, I have only one thing to say.

You turn if you want to: the Lady's NOT for Turning.

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