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The following appointments have been made in the Conservative Party Organisation:

Mr. Alistair McAlpine, in addition to his present responsibilities as Party Treasurer, is to be Deputy Chairman of the Party Organisation.

The Baroness Young will be a Vice-Chairman of the Party with responsibility for the Women's Organisation.

Sir Anthony Royle, KCMG., MP., who is at present Chairman of the Party's International Office, will additionally become a Vice-Chairman of the Party Organisation with responsibility for Candidates.

Mr. Robin Holland-Martin will become Deputy Treasurer of the Party.

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Prime Minister

Lord Thorneycroft and

I have spoken about
this and agreed a

May I please comment on Lord Thorneycroft's
letter.

name for candidates.
- none of these
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1. Vice Chairman for Candidates

Charles Morrisons's appointment would not follow on logically from the work done by Marcus Fox, not only in character but in aims. In this context perhaps Kenneth Warren, Tony Durant, or Michael Morris would be more suitable.

2. Vice Chairman for Women

I doubt whether Diana Neave's health would allow her to undertake this work. In which case should not Joan Hall be considered as an alternative.

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Dear Margaret

I have been thinking further on the subject of Vice Chairmen for the Party. We have discussed several names. I would like to settle this, if it is at all possible, sometime this weekend. Two possibilities occur to me.

Vice Chairman, Candidates: Charles Morrison. ^{NO} He has done magnificent work for the Local Government Advisory Committee of the National Union and I know is sad about being continuously passed over for Junior Office. The fact that he is Vice Chairman of the 1922 Committee would be an additional asset. He would, I think, do the job very well indeed.

Vice Chairman, Women: Diana Neave. Neither of us doubts her capacity; the problem arises from her recent tragic experience. If you were agreeable I would be very happy to have a preliminary word with her to see how she feels about it.

I hope these suggestions may help.

The Prime Minister

Yours
John