

cc PS/Chief Secretary  
Mr. Whitmore  
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PRIME MINISTER

Draft Speech for the Censure Motion Debate

Here is a draft of your speech for Monday's Censure Motion Debate, for you to look at over the weekend and as a basis for our discussions on Sunday.

This draft does not contain the passage on the new unemployment measures, which Tim is drafting and clearing separately.

I have followed broadly a structure suggested by the Chief Secretary following your meeting on Wednesday; and I have discussed the draft with him.

I am putting into your box separately a collection of other material, largely also provided following your meeting, which you may want to glance at for ideas for the speech (I have marked in red one or two passages which seem to me particularly interesting). These include a suggestion from Norman Tebbit for the structure, and an outline intellectual case from Ralph Harris, both of which have only just arrived. Ralph Harris' passage on unemployment is particularly biting, and if you wanted a more aggressive speech you might want to draw on his ideas. But the Chief Secretary feels that the right tone for this speech is rather lower key.

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