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From the Private Secretary

31 May 1979

Dear Stephen

The Prime Minister has seen the correspondence between the offices of the Lord Chancellor and the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster about the Government's intentions regarding a further review of oil sanctions.

The Prime Minister is inclined to think that no further action on this subject is necessary, but she believes that Cabinet should decide the matter. She would therefore be grateful if the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary could circulate a brief paper to Cabinet as a basis for decision.

I am sending copies of this letter to Ian Maxwell (Lord Chancellor's Office), John Stevens (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office), and Martin Vile (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever Mike Pattisan

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