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CABINET

CONCLUSIONS of a Meeting of the Cabinet  
held at 10 Downing Street on

TUESDAY 9 MARCH 1982

at 10.00 am

PRESENT

The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP  
Prime Minister

The Rt Hon William Whitelaw MP  
Secretary of State for the Home Department

The Rt Hon Lord Hailsham  
Lord Chancellor

The Rt Hon Lord Carrington  
Secretary of State for Foreign and  
Commonwealth Affairs

The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP  
Chancellor of the Exchequer

The Rt Hon Sir Keith Joseph MP  
Secretary of State for Education and Science

The Rt Hon Francis Pym MP  
Lord President of the Council

The Rt Hon John Nott MP  
Secretary of State for Defence

The Rt Hon Peter Walker MP  
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and  
Food

The Rt Hon Michael Heseltine MP  
Secretary of State for the Environment

The Rt Hon George Younger MP  
Secretary of State for Scotland

The Rt Hon Nicholas Edwards MP  
Secretary of State for Wales

The Rt Hon Patrick Jenkin MP  
Secretary of State for Industry

The Rt Hon John Biffen MP  
Secretary of State for Trade

The Rt Hon David Howell MP  
Secretary of State for Transport

The Rt Hon Norman Fowler MP  
Secretary of State for Social Services

The Rt Hon Leon Brittan QC MP  
Chief Secretary, Treasury

The Rt Hon Nigel Lawson MP  
Secretary of State for Energy

The Rt Hon Norman Tebbit MP  
Secretary of State for Employment

The Rt Hon Cecil Parkinson MP  
Paymaster General

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ALSO PRESENT

The Rt Hon Michael Jopling MP  
Parliamentary Secretary, Treasury

SECRETARY

Sir Robert Armstrong

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DEATH OF  
LORD BUTLER

1. The Cabinet learned with great regret and sadness of the death of The Rt Hon Lord Butler of Saffron Walden, KG, CH.

THE PRIME MINISTER recalled that it was almost exactly thirty years since Lord Butler, as Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Conservative Administration of the day, had introduced the first Conservative Budget of the post-war era. Subject to prior consultation with the Speaker and with the Leader of the Opposition, she would, before answering her first question in the House of Commons that afternoon, refer to the death of Lord Butler and indicate that there would be an opportunity for formal tributes in the House of Commons the following afternoon. No doubt the Chancellor of the Exchequer would also wish to refer to Lord Butler at the beginning of his Budget Speech that afternoon.

The Cabinet -

Took note.

THE BUDGET

2. THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER informed the Cabinet of the proposals in his forthcoming Budget.

In accordance with precedent details are not recorded in the Cabinet conclusions.

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