PRIME MINISTER

I attach two telegrams from Derek

Norton, Chairman of Hadfields. Further

complaints about picketing, and a repeat

of his offer to take over the management of

BSC.

I have acknowledged these telegrams. I do not think there is any point in your sending a substantive reply. You have already written to him about picking and about the BSC management (Flags A and B).

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I am writing on the Prime Minister's behalf to acknowledge your two telegrams which were received on 12 and 13 March.

I have placed both of these before the Prime Minister.

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Derek Norton, Esq.

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