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Dear Mike,

MR. GEORGE CARDONA

A.

We discussed the other day the appointment of Mr. George Cardona as an adviser to the Chancellor, and we agreed that I would write to you, seeking the Prime Minister's agreement to the arrangements under which he works in the Treasury. His salary is paid by Conservative Central Office, and a room is provided in the Treasury for his use. I should be grateful to know whether these arrangements meet with the Prime Minister's approval, and whether she is content that he should have access to any official documents which the Chancellor may wish to show to him.

It would also be helpful to have guidance on the presentation of Mr. Cardona's appointment. As you know, we have announced that Messrs. Ridley and Cropper have been appointed Special Advisers, to the Chancellor and the Chief Secretary respectively. My understanding is that Mr. Cardona does not fall into the category of "expert advisers". It will clearly be necessary and in any case desirable, that he should be given some title which distinguishes him from the Special Advisers, which can be used in e.g. office directories and publications listing Treasury staff.

I am copying this letter to Jim Buckley, and to Martin Vile.

Yours ever
M.A. Hall

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We cannot have someone
for CCO having access to
official documents. However much
we may trust him personally, I see
no reason whatever for that

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agreed. I had talked this over
in detail with the Chancellor. The Treasury
has its own 7 2.

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