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The Governor ^{OR} _{28/6}
 (copy to Mr [unclear])

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From the Private Secretary

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for

Dear Tony,

The Prime Minister was most concerned at reports in the weekend press that mortgage rates may possibly have to go up within a few days, and I understand she spoke with the Chancellor of the Exchequer about this.

The Prime Minister has asked me to say that an increase in the mortgage rate must be avoided - if necessary through a temporary subsidy. She has requested that contingency plans should be made with a view to preventing any rise in the rate - if necessary to be implemented forthwith. She would like to be assured that such planning is under way before she leaves for Tokyo.

I am sending a copy of this letter to David Edmonds (Department of the Environment) and to Martin Vile (Cabinet Office).

in [unclear]

T. [unclear]

A.M.W. Battishill Esq
 HM Treasury

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