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From the Private Secretary

28 June 1979

The Prime Minister read the letter of 11 June from the Secretary of State for Defence to the Lord President on "The Civil Service - reductions and efficiency". I understand from the Lord President's reply of 25 June that your officials and MOD officials will be examining the ideas put forward by Mr. Pym, and then Lord Soames and Mr. Pym will review the position.

The Prime Minister was interested in the ideas set out in Mr. Pym's letter, and would like an opportunity to consider officials' and Ministers' conclusions before any decisions are taken.

I am sending copies of this letter to Martin Hall (HM Treasury), Andrew Duguid (Department of Industry), Martin Vile and Sir Derek Rayner (Cabinet Office)

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