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I still think that, in order to enable us to consider fully the options in connection with BL, civil servants here would be helped by the cooperation of John Hoskyns - and any people he wished to bring in - in assessing some of the difficult intangibles that should be taken into account if we do not provide the funds requested.

If you agree, perhaps your office would let my office know so that the officials here could get in touch with John Hoskyns.

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