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PRIME MINISTER

NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR DETERMINING THE SALARIES OF NATIONALISED INDUSTRY BOARD MEMBERS

I have seen Christopher Soames' minute to you of 23
January, and I very much agree with his recommendations.
In particular, to concede the implementation of the full recommended levels in TSRB 14 this year (or indeed for the future) would cause grave difficulty in the context of this year's TSRB report on the top salaries group, where you have recently argued to Lord Plowden that the starting point should be the actual salary levels in payment, and not last year's recommendations.

I am sending copies of this minute to the recipients of Christopher's.

(G.H.)

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