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CABINET

CONCLUSIONS of a Meeting of the Cabinet held at 10 Downing Street on

TUESDAY 10 MARCH 1981

at 9.30 am

PRESENT

The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP
Prime Minister

he Rt Hon William Whitelaw MP ecretary of State for the Home Department The Rt Hon Lord Hailsham Lord Chancellor

he Rt Hon Lord Carrington ecretary of State for Foreign and ommonwealth Affairs The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP Chancellor of the Exchequer

he Rt Hon Sir Keith Joseph MP scretary of State for Industry The Rt Hon Francis Pym MP Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Paymaster General

he Rt Hon Lord Soames and President of the Council The Rt Hon James Prior MP Secretary of State for Employment

te Rt Hon John Nott MP cretary of State for Defence The Rt Hon Sir Ian Gilmour MP Lord Privy Seal

ne Rt Hon Peter Walker MP Inister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food The Rt Hon George Younger MP Secretary of State for Scotland

ie Rt Hon Nicholas Edwards MP cretary of State for Wales The Rt Hon Humphrey Atkins MP Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

he Rt Hon Patrick Jenkin MP cretary of State for Social Services The Rt Hon John Biffen MP Secretary of State for Trade

te Rt Hon David Howell MP cretary of State for Energy

The Rt Hon Mark Carlisle QC MP Secretary of State for Education and Science The Rt Hon Norman Fowler MP

The Rt Hon Leon Brittan QC MP Chief Secretary, Treasury

ALSO PRESENT

The Rt Hon Michael Jopling MP Parliamentary Secretary, Treasury

SECRETARY

Sir Robert Armstrong

SUBJECT

THE BUDGET

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THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER informed the Cabinet of the proposals in his forthcoming Budget.

In accordance with precedent details are not recorded in the Cabinet Conclusions.

Cabinet Office

10 March 1981