



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

6 April 1981

Dear Mr. Campbell-Savours,

Thank you for your letter of 26 March about the need for a full explanation of the decision to close Distington foundry to be made available to the workforce.

In his letter to me of 23 March Mr. MacGregor refers to his memorandum of 27 February to the Distington Joint Representative Committee: this was one of the documents which you sent me following our meeting on 4 March. It seems to me that Mr. MacGregor has, in this memorandum, given a very full and considered explanation of the reasons which led the Corporation to decide on the closure of Distington foundry.

I would be grateful if you would treat this letter, together with my letter of 26 March, as a reply to the large number of letters from your constituents on the closure of Distington foundry which you have forwarded to me in recent weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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