010 APPOINTMENTS -IN-CONFIDENCE Prime minister 2 PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL PORTILIO I should let you know that Michael Portillo, who has been my special adviser here since May 1979, is giving up his position as from 19 June. I have known for some time that he would in due course wish to move on to other things, and I understand that wish. While I shall be sorry to lose his valuable help and advice, I have given this move my support. I have no present plans to seek a replacement although I would intend to keep an eye open for suitable candidates. Secretary of State for Energy | June 1981