n prime minister CONFIDENTIAL Substanting terms being agreed? Prime Minister I have it in mind to appoint Sir John Hoskyns as a part-time special adviser on transport affairs. My expectation is that he would put in about two to three days a month in this capacity. I think John Hoskyns will be of particular help to me in the consideration of political and financial analysis and choice across a number of the transport problems facing us, including of course British Rail. I do not think I need rehearse his qualifications for this role. I should be grateful for your approval to this appointment. I will of course agree the precise terms of service with the Treasury. I am copying this minute to Janet Young and Geoffrey Howe. DAVID HOWELL 2 July 1982 CONFIDENTIAL