

PRIME MINISTER

NIGEL LAWSON'S SPECIAL ADVISER

Refer to
David Wolfson
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? I understand from Energy it is proposed that Nigel Lawson's Special Adviser should be paid as an "expert" rather than as a "political" adviser. In practice this means a difference of some £900 i.e. between £14,200 and £15,100. This would, I am told, make the difference between her acceptance and refusal of the post.

In these circumstances are you content to let your agreement to the proposal stand or do you wish to insist on the lower figure? Alternatively we could ask the Department for further information on why they think the "expert" scale is appropriate.

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But she isn't an expert - it's not - keep employed to advise on nuclear, and she cannot be paid as one. Refer to David Wolfson