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APPOINTMENTS IN CONFIDENCE

Prime Minister

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL ADVISER

I would like to appoint a full-time political special adviser and propose to offer the post to Katherine Ramsay (nee Marsh). She is currently employed at Central Office and has for some time now been working in the transport field. She would, I am sure, be a great asset in dealing with the political aspects of transport issues. My Permanent Secretary would welcome such an appointment.

I should be grateful for your approval to this appointment. The precise financial terms will of course be agreed with the Treasury, with whom my officials have been in touch.

I am copying this minute to Barney Hayhoe and Sir Robert Armstrong.

I can very much remember Katherine for her role in the briefing conferences during the election.

She is a very able person.

TOM KING

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