

BF 14/9/83

Meeting fixed
for 14.30 on

15 Sept

~~see letter to PM~~

WR to HNT 1/8

(PA)

BF 2/9/83 to MCS

Michael / D/Energy say their S.O.F.S is unwilling to circulate a paper for the meeting on 15/9 for 2 reasons:
(a) He is not prepared to commit himself in advance of talks with McGregor
(b) He does not want to put anything in writing for fear of leaks.
He still wants the meeting postponed to early October. I have
(PTO)

told Caroline Brooks that she
must write to you or me explaining
exactly why Mr Walker cannot say
anything about coal strategy early in
September - he then can then decide
whether to overrule him or to cancel the
meeting.

I might say that coal division in D/Energy
are working on a paper. The problem is
not with them; it is with the S/D/S. He
has not ^{yet} accepted the PM's ruling that the
meeting should be in Sept.

CM
18/8