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The AG could be asked to report the units being brought by two coal merchants in the Forest of Dean against 5 Wales NUM.

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MISC 101(84)30th Meeting: Coal

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You will want to ask for the normal reports:

- i. from the Secretary of State for Energy
 - on the number of pits and miners working (there are reports today of an increase in those working at Bilston Glen and also of a return to work at a private pit in Scotland)
- ii. from the Home Secretary
 - on law and order (there has clearly been a renewed offensive: blockading tactics on the Humber Bridge; heavy pickets at several working pits and at BSC Port Talbot)
- iii. from the Secretary of State for Transport
 - on train movements
- iv. from the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry
 - on BSC and coal-burning industry.

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10th Aug. Engineering.
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2. You may wish to concentrate the discussion on:

- i. the handling of publicity in relation to this week's National Executive Committee meeting of the NUM;
- ii. any pointers emerging from the first meeting of the new Area Council in Nottinghamshire.



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3. There will be an opportunity for a further discussion under the Industrial Affairs item at Cabinet on Thursday 26 July. The next meeting of MISC 101 is arranged for 5.30 pm on Monday 30 July.

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