Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster PRIME MINISTER world Mes PRIVATISATION OF THE HYDRAULICS RESEARCH STATION Michael Heseltine sent me a copy of his minute to you of 18 February, proposing the privatisation of the Hydraulics Research Station. I would not wish to dissent from what he proposes. It would be helpful if the Staff Transfers Unit of the MPO could be notified early of any staff who are not to be offered, or do not wish to accept, employment with the new organisation so that we can if possible redeploy them to other work. However, it will be very difficult to place scientific staff in alternative Civil Service posts (except perhaps for some mathematicians). I am copying this minute to the recipients of Michael Heseltine's. Janet Young BARONESS YOUNG 1 March 1982

