

Prime Minister

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A piece of "intelligence" received from Stewart Sexton (Special Adviser at the DES):-

Apparently - as part of the Labour Party/TUC "Campaign for Democracy" week - there are two meetings this coming Thursday against the abolition of the GLC. Stewart has been told that the TUC leaflets are circulating, advertising:

- (a) Geoffrey Rippon, Anthony Beaumont-Dark and Francis Morrell at a 12.00 meeting on Thursday;
- (b) Edward Heath and Neil Kinnock at a 2.30 - 5.00 p.m. meeting on Thursday.

I find these, especially the latter - a bit hard to believe. As Stewart has not actually seen the leaflets this story should perhaps be taken with a pinch of salt. But it should, nevertheless be taken seriously. I have asked Stewart to send me a leaflet.

It is possible that Kinnock or somebody else may try to make something of this at Question Time either tomorrow or, more probably, on Thursday.

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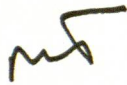
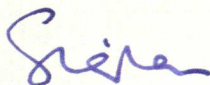
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Just to confirm what I told you at Question Time that Mr Heath, Geoffrey Rippon and Anthony Beaumont-Dark knew nothing about being billed to appear on the same platform as Labour politicians on the abolition of the GLC.

Indeed, John Wakeham told me that Mr Heath will be abroad.

But it just shows the dirty tricks which the TUC will use in their campaign of so-called "democracy"!



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