

Andrew Turnbull

You ought to be aware of the following points which arose when the Prime Minister saw Alfred Sherman on 20th September.

1. The ESRC: Alfred Sherman showed her the attached letter from Douglas Hague backing up Alfred Sherman's suggestion for a work-shop. The Prime Minister was extremely concerned about the list of subjects and said she might raise this with Sir Keith Joseph.
2. The Prime Minister asked if the police civilians in a police station were to break away from NALGO and form their own staff association that staff association would be recognised for negotiating rights.
3. The Prime Minister wanted a copy of the Act of Parliament which nationalised the coal mines.
4. The Prime Minister wondered whether some of the smaller police forces were suffering from staff shortages which inhibited them from framing charges following violence on the picket line, etc.

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21.9.84

Sir Alfred Sherman
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OUR REF

YOUR REF

DATE 9 August 1984

Dear Alfred

This is to confirm that we agreed at our meeting last week to organise a workshop on decision making for a high-level group of participants either with experience or an academic interest in the field.

You agreed that you would approach Professor Droar in Jerusalem with the idea that he might be willing to attend and to provide an overview paper. Following on from that, we talked of a series of case studies leading to provisional conclusions. Possible topics and authors were:

The CPRS: Arm of Government or Think-Tank	Lord Rothschild
Road v Rail	Alfred Sherman
The Management of Science	Douglas Hague
The Falklands War	?
The UK's decision not to use vouchers in education	?
British Leyland	John Hoskyns
The decision <u>not</u> to reform the British Civil Service	Peter Hennessy

Apart from Droar, you and me, we talked of possible participants as follows: John Gardiner, Laird Group; John Nott, Lazard's; John Harvey-Jones, ICI; Thomson, British Caledonian; Frank Field; Julian Le Grand, ESRC; John Hughes, Ruskin College; David Wolfson; Norman Strauss.

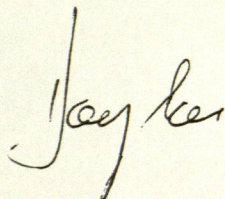
I said that I would discuss these ideas with Edmund Dell to see whether this might be one of our joint seminars with CIPFA. Should he agree I will then put the idea to the members of our public expenditure research group.

We were thinking of holding the workshop in June/July 1985, probably in London. We thought of having about 50 participants, some of whom would present or introduce papers and others who would take part in panel discussions. These might account for 20-25 of the 50, the remainder being observers on this occasion.

You said that you would be able to let me know roughly how much of your own time, and that of a research assistant, might be needed to produce this paper. If you could do so, we could look at the possibility of funding that work. At a later stage, you might wish to make a submission to the SERC/ESRC Joint Transport Committee on the more general issues of road, rail, electrification and so on.

I think this covers the points we raised but if not please put me right.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jayker". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "Yours sincerely".

File

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Aligned Seaman 20 Sept 84

1

Ought to study parts of SDP. + tactics...

ESRC. - Falkland War. - not to be pursued.

2

Douglas Hope - ESRC front.

* PM to talk about ESRC to Sir K. S. ...

Brenda Uttinger.

of ^{press} article about (cuts in press article) was
to break any form of MRCO + form that on
half way, would the stay come. he
response for ~~next year~~ negotiations.

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* PM to talk about LB

4) Discussion - how to close union alliance

major. - don't know

GH. Whalen

MDY Talbot MGR G.

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To George Turnbull Chairman

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* Coal Nationalization Act.

* ⑥ ^{price} staff to frame price charges.

big price force - Law there.
over 20%.

B Ae

- 350 p. + 30

Wallop.
(Kentucky
Wyoming)

Will not go to extremes

Can't get them turned up.

Therapy =

"ordinary friends"

Whitney 1900-1901

Robert Ke

at least a year or so to get

The 'one' and 1 family,

Prime Minister

Meeting with Alfred Sherman tomorrow
at 2.30 p.m.

Alfred is coming in to see you
tomorrow (Thursday).

1. He told me he does not intend to raise with you the whole question of his relations with Hugh Thomas and the CPS. —
2. You should be aware that Alfred is delivering the Annual Lecture to the Institute of Directors tomorrow evening. (I will be attending). He did originally enquire as to whether you might be able to attend but at that time I told him that you would be overseas.

STEPHEN SHERBOURNE