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PRIME MINISTER

Cabinet: Industrial Affairs: Coal

You will wish to invite reports from:

i. the Secretary of State for Energy on:✓ the number of pits and miners working;

✓ coal movements;

✓ the split in the NUM as a result of developments in Nottinghamshire and South Derbyshire;✓ the outcome of the NACODS Delegate Conference on Wednesday 16 January. + increasing belligerence of NACODS rhetoric and their walk-out from the consultative Council meeting.ii. the Home Secretary on:

law and order;

the European Parliament's decision to set up an inquiry into police activity during the miners' strike. Home Secretary is proposing that police provide no facilities for the inquiry.iii. the Secretary of State for Transport on the 24-hour industrial action by the rail unions (unless called off).iv. the Secretary of State for Employment on any moves by the TUC to promote a resumption of negotiations.v. the Attorney General on any important new developments in the courts.

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Next Meeting

2. The next meeting of MISC 101 is at 4.30 pm on Monday
21 January.

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