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16 November 1981

Thank you for your letter of 12 November. The Prime Minister is content for Mr. Blaker to appoint Mr. Nicholas Baker, M.P., as his PPS.

I am copying this to Felicity Yonge and David Wright.

W F S RICKETT

R. P. Craine, Esq.,
Ministry of Defence.

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From: R P Craine - Private Secretary to the Minister of State
for the Armed Forces



Prime Minister

Content?

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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13/11

Yes not

D/MIN(AF)/PB/16/2/1

12 November 1981

Dear William,

PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARIES

1. Thank you for your letter of 2 November concerning Mr Colin Shepherd.
2. As you are probably aware he declined the invitation to take up the post of PPS to Mr Blaker and we have had to consult the Chief Whip about further candidates.
3. Mr Blaker has agreed with Mr Jopling that the most suitable candidate is Nicholas Baker. He would be grateful to know that the Prime Minister is content.

Yours sincerely

Peter Craine

W Rickett Esq

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6 November 1981

Peter McCarthy told me yesterday that Mr. Brinton had declined appointment as Mrs. Oppenheim's Parliamentary Private Secretary, and that she would like to approach Mr. Gerry Neale MP instead. I understand he would also act as PPS to Mr. Rees.

I have consulted the Prime Minister. She is quite happy for Mr. Neale to be appointed PPS to Mrs. Oppenheim and Mr. Rees, provided that your Secretary of State still considers that the Department of Trade needs more than one PPS.

W RICKETT

John Rhodes, Esq.,
Department of Trade.

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cc CWO
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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

5 November 1981

The Prime Minister has seen your Secretary of State's minute of 3 November. She is content for Mr. Bob Dunn, M.P. to act as PPS to Dr. Boyson, Mr. Shelton and Mr. Waldegrave.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

W. F. S. RICKETT

Peter Shaw, Esq.,
Department of Education and Science.

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10 DOWNING STREET

Prime Minister

Tim Brinton declined appointment
as Mrs Oppenheim's PPS.

She would like to approach
Gerry Neale instead. Content?

WFSM

5/m

Does the
department need
an extra P.P.S.?

Y so - agree. m

(w. no comment)

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Prime Minister

Agree?

KJ

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PRIME MINISTER

I seek your approval to the proposed appointment of Bob Dunn as Parliamentary Private Secretary jointly to Rhodes Boyson, Bill Shelton and William Waldegrave. The Chief Whip is in agreement.

KJ.

Meredith
ms

KJ
3 November 1981

cc CWO
CO

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Parliament

30 October 1981

Thank you for your letter to Michael Scholar of 28 October. The Prime Minister is content for Mrs. Oppenheim to appoint Mr. Tim Brinton as her Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am copying this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

WILLIAM RICKETT

Peter McCarthy, Esq.,
Department of Trade.

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cc CWO
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LG

30 October 1981

Thank you for your letter of 29 October to Mike Pattison. The Prime Minister is content for Mr. Butler to appoint Mr. Peter Lloyd as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am sending copies of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

WILLIAM RICKETT

Ms. Celia Hadden,
Northern Ireland Office.

JP

cc CWO

CO

16

30 October 1981

Thank you for your letter to Tim Lankester of 28 October. The Prime Minister is content for Mr. Gray to appoint Mr. Kenneth Carlisle as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am sending copies of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

WILLIAM RICKETT

JP

Stephen Haddrill, Esq.,
Department of Energy.

cc CWO

CO

16

30 October 1981

Thank you for your letter of 29 October to Clive Whitmore. The Prime Minister is content for your Secretary of State to appoint Mr. Richard Page as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am sending copies of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

WILLIAM RICKETT

John Rhodes, Esq.,
Department of Trade.



CV (CO: no comment)

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE

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Telephone 01-215 7877



IN CONFIDENCE

From the Secretary of State

Clive Whitmore Esq
Principal Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW1

Prime Minister 1

Content for Mr Birtles
to appoint Richard
Page as his PPS?

Yes *WBSH*
29/10

29 October 1981

Dear Clive,

The Secretary of State has recently asked the Chief Whip to suggest a PPS he might appoint as successor to Mr Tim Renton. Mr Renton ceased to be the Secretary of State's PPS last May.

The Chief Whip has suggested, and the Secretary of State has agreed, that Mr Richard Page should become his new PPS. I would be grateful if you could confirm that there is no objection to the Secretary of State asking Mr Page whether he would take on the job.

I am copying this letter to Murdo McLean.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN RHODES
Private Secretary

(w: no comment)

From: THE PRIVATE SECRETARY



NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE
GREAT GEORGE STREET,
LONDON SW1P 3AJ

Mike Pattison Esq
Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW1

29 October 1981

Prime Minister

Content for Mr Butler to
appoint Peter Lloyd as

Dear Mr Pattison,

Yes

his PPS?

hm

29/10

Mr Adam Butler, Minister of State at the Northern Ireland Office would like to appoint Mr Peter Lloyd as his Parliamentary Private Secretary in place of Mr Michael Newbert who has opted to go with Mr Alison to the Department of Employment. Such an appointment has the agreement of the Chief Whip and Mr Butler hopes that this proposal meets with the Prime Minister's approval.

I am copying this letter to Felicity Younge in the Chief Whip's office.

Yours sincerely

Celia F Hadden

CELIA F HADDEN

Private Secretary
to Mr Butler

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APPOINTMENTS IN CONFIDENCE



DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
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From the
Minister of State
for Consumer Affairs's Office

The Rt Hon Sally Oppenheim MP

Michael Scholar Esq
Private Secretary
Number 10 Downing Street

28 October 1981

Yes *not*
Dear Michael,

Prime Minister
Content for Mrs Oppenheim
to appoint Tim Brinton as her
PPS ?

WFSK 27/10

As you may know, following the recent reshuffle, Mr Michael Spicer MP is now no longer Parliamentary Private Secretary to Mrs Oppenheim.

As his successor my Minister would like to appoint Mr Tim Brinton MP (Gravesend). Mrs Oppenheim would share Mr Brinton's services with the Minister for Trade and she has discussed the appointment with the Chief Whip who, I understand, is content. I should be grateful if you would seek the Prime Minister's urgent approval for Mr Brinton's appointment as Mrs Oppenheim would like to approach him early next week before the start of the new session of Parliament. I am copying this to Felicity Yonge in the Chief Whip's office.

Yours sincerely,

Peter McCarthy

PETER McCARTHY
Private Secretary

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THE MINISTER OF STATE

HAMISH GRAY ESQ MP

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Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
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LONDON SW1P 4QJ

Direct Line 01-211 3290
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Prime Minister 1

Content for Mr Gray
to appoint Kenneth
Carlisle as his PPS ?

Yes Mr

28th October 1981

W
K

Dear Tim,

My Minister has asked me to seek the Prime Minister's approval to the appointment of Kenneth Carlisle MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary. The Minister's previous PPS, Alan Stewart MP, has been appointed to Ministerial rank in the Scottish Office.

The approval of the Chief Whip, our Secretary of State and, for security purposes, the Permanent Head of the Department has been sought and obtained.

I am copying this letter to Felicity Yonge in the Chief Whip's Office and David Wright, Cabinet Office.

Yours ever -

Stephen

S Haddrill
Private Secretary

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FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
ATTENTION: MR. [illegible]
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PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE
WHITEHALL, LONDON SW1A 2AT

27 October 1981

Prime Minister

Dear Mike

MAP 27/
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When we spoke this morning I explained that the Lord President of the Council had thought very carefully about the appointment of a new Parliamentary Private Secretary and had come to the conclusion, after further discussion with the Chief Whip, that Mr Nicholas Baker MP did not have sufficient experience for this particular post. Instead the Lord President of the Council wished to invite Mr Spencer le Marchant MP to take up the post. You kindly agreed to seek the Prime Minister's approval for this and subsequently indicated that the Prime Minister would be content for the Lord President to proceed.

The Lord President has now spoken to Mr le Marchant who accepted the appointment. I understand that arrangements have been made to announce this appointment during the course of the afternoon.

I am copying this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever

Nick Huxtable

N P M HUXTABLE
Private Secretary

M Pattison Esq
10 Downing Street
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From the Principal Private Secretary

27 October 1981

Dear David,

PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARY

Thank you for your letter of
22 October 1981.

I have consulted the Prime Minister,
and she is content for Mr Nott to
appoint Mr Wilkinson as his Parliamentary
Private Secretary.

Yours now,

Alvin Whinnor

David Omand Esq.,
Ministry of Defence.

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
MAIN BUILDING WHITEHALL LONDON SW1

Telephone 01-~~938 7022~~ 218 2111/3

MO 21/8/1

22nd October 1981

Dear Sir,

PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARY

In accordance with the Questions of Procedure for Ministers my Secretary of State has asked me to let you know that he has in mind John Wilkinson MP to be his Parliamentary Private Secretary following the appointment of David Hunt MP to the Government. The Defence Secretary has discussed the matter with the Chief Whip, and Mr Wilkinson has the support of Mr Jopling.

Before he approaches Mr Wilkinson my Secretary of State would be grateful to know that the Prime Minister is content.

*Yours sincerely,
David*

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C A Whitmore Esq

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LONDON W1A 0LW



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PRIME MINISTER

Mr. Sidney Chapman, MP, was Mr. Norman Fowler's Parliamentary Private Secretary when Mr. Fowler was Secretary of State for Transport. Mr. Fowler would like Mr. Chapman to continue in that role now that he is Secretary of State for Social Services. Are you content?

Yes - delighted
me

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1. The M. Brennan, Duss.

2. PA.

12 October 1981

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19.10.



cc CWO
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Parliament

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

12 October 1981

Parliamentary Private Secretaries

Thank you for your letter of 7 October to Mike Pattison describing the Lord Privy Seal's proposed reallocation of Parliamentary Private Secretaries in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The Prime Minister is content with the Lord Privy Seal's proposals.

I am copying this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

W. F. S. RICKETT

S.J. Gomersall, Esq.,
Lord Privy Seal's Office.

RH

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12 October 1981

Thank you for your letter of 6 October to Clive Whitmore. The Prime Minister is content for the Lord President to invite Mr. Nicholas Baker, M.P. to be his new Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am sending copies of this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

WILLIAM RICKETT

D.C.R. Heyhoe, Esq.,
Lord President's Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

7 October 1981

Prime Minister

Dear Sir,

PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARIES

The only changes here are that Mr Atkins wants to bring Mr Arnold into the FCO with him, and that Mr Ridley has departed with his PPS, Mr Rhodes James. Content?

yes Mr Wm 8/10

Following the reshuffle, the Lord Privy Seal would, with the agreement of the Chief Whip, propose the following allocation of Parliamentary Private Secretaries to Ministers in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office:

Lord Privy Seal	:	Mr Tom Arnold MP
Mr Hurd	:	Mr Nigel Forman MP
Mr Luce	:	Mr Robert Banks MP
Mr Marten	:	Mr Robert Banks MP

I would be grateful if you could let me know if the Prime Minister is content.

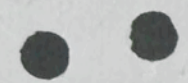
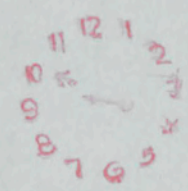
I am copying this letter to Murdo Maclean (Government Whip's Office) and David Wright (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever
Stephen Gomersall

S J Gomersall
Private Secretary to the
Lord Privy Seal

Mike Pattison Esq
10 Downing Street
London

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PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE
WHITEHALL, LONDON SW1A 2AT

6 October 1981

Yes
Prime Minister
Agree? Cabinet Office
are content.

Acen Clive, not

WR
7/10

The Lord President of the Council would like to invite Mr Nicholas Baker MP to be his new Parliamentary Private Secretary and would be most grateful if you would seek the Prime Minister's agreement to this. The Chief Whip has been consulted and is content.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Murdo Maclean.

Has now,
Awid.

D C R HEYHOE
Private Secretary

C Whitmore Esq
Principal Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW1

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Government Chief Whip
12 Downing Street, London SW1

24 September 1981.

Alan Mike.

R. 24/9

For the record, the Chief Whip is happy that
Fred Silvester should remain PPS to Mr Atkins
as proposed in Mike Hopkins's letter of 23 September.

Yours

Felicity

Felicity Yonge

M A Pattison Esq.,
10 Downing Street.

24 SEP 1981





10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

24 September 1981

The Prime Minister has read your letter of 23 September and is content that your Secretary of State should retain Mr. Fred Silvester, M.P. as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am copying this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office).

J. P. LANKESTER

Mike Hopkins, Esq.,
Northern Ireland Office.

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From: THE PRIVATE SECRETARY



NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE
GREAT GEORGE STREET,
LONDON SW1P 3AJ

Mike Pattison Esq
10 Downing Street
LONDON SW1

1. Mr Whitman ^{27/9} ~~27/9~~
23 September 1981

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Dear Mike,

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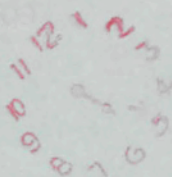
My Secretary of State has asked me to confirm that he proposes to retain Mr Fred Silvester MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary (Mr Silvester having served in that capacity in the Department of Employment). Mr Prior hopes that this will meet with the Prime Minister's approval. 12 27/9

I am copying this letter to Felicity Yonge in the Chief Whip's office.

Yours sincerely
M W Hopkins

M W HOPKINS

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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

18 June 1981

Parliamentary Private Secretaries

Thank you for your letter of 16 June setting out Lord Carrington's proposals on the disposition of PPS's in the FCO. The Prime Minister is content with his proposals.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Felicity Yonge in the Chief Whip's Office.

W.F.S. RICKETT

B.J.P. Fall, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Prime Minister

Content with this reshuffling of
PPSs within the FCO ?

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

16 June 1981

Dear William,

Approved
mb

Parliamentary Private Secretaries

As a result of the departure of Mr Blaker, there has been discussion between the Chief Whip and FCO Ministers about the disposition of PPSs. The result, which has been approved by Lord Carrington, is as follows:

1. Sir Ian Gilmour and Mr Hurd will continue to share Nigel Forman.
2. Mr Marten and Mr Luce will share Robert Banks.
3. Mr Ridley will continue to have Robert Rhodes James.

I shall be grateful if you will let me know if the Prime Minister is content.

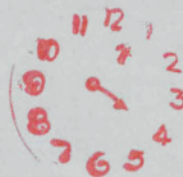
I am sending a copy of this letter to Felicity Yonge in the Chief Whip's Office.

Yours ever

(B J P Fall)
Private Secretary

William Rickett Esq
10 Downing Street

16 JUN 1981



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4 March 1981

The Prime Minister has seen the Secretary of State for Industry's minute of 3 March about Parliamentary Private Secretaries.

She is content that Iain Mills should be appointed to a third PPS post in the Department, to assist Mr. Tebbit.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

Ian Ellison, Esq.,
Department of Industry.

APPOINTMENTS IN CONFIDENCE

9.

(Cabinet Office
consulted: no comment)

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PRIME MINISTER

Prime Minister

Content to see Iain Mills
appointed as third PPS
at 001?

Yes
not

PPSs IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

MA 3/3

You will remember that at the time when you agreed that John Lee should become PPS to Kenneth Baker you agreed that there might be a third PPS in the Department of Industry to support Norman Tebbit.

2 Norman Tebbit has consulted the Chief Whip and would now like to propose that Iain Mills should be appointed his Parliamentary Private Secretary. I hope that you can agree to his proposal.

3 I am copying this minute to the Chief Whip.

KJ

Department of Industry
Ashdown House
123 Victoria Street

K J
3 March 1981

cc DHSS
CWO
bcc CO

HS

23 January 1981

You spoke to me on the telephone about Mr. Rossi's wish to invite John Townend to serve as his PPS. The Prime Minister would be delighted for him to do so.

I am sending copies of this letter to Don Brereton in your Secretary of State's Office and Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

Mike Kerin, Esq.,
Department of Health and Social Security.

9.



10 DOWNING STREET

Prime Minister

Hugh Rossi would
like John Townend as
PPS. (This would
restore DHSS numbers to
3.)

Content? Deliberate
not

MA
22/1



cc CWO

H8

bcc CO

Parliament

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

20 January 1981

Thank you for your letter about the appointment of a PPS to Mr. Hayhoe.

The Prime Minister is content for Mr. Hayhoe to invite Mr. T. Garel-Jones, M.P. to serve as his PPS.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

G.D. Rogers, Esq.,
Civil Service Department.

GP



cc CWO
bce. CO
H8

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

20 January 1981

Thank you for your letter of 19 January, about Mr. Channon's wish to continue with Mr. David Atkinson, M.P. as his PPS. The Prime Minister is content.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Felicity Yonge (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

Mrs. R. Turp,
Department of Education and Science.

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FROM THE MINISTER FOR THE ARTS

Mike Pattison Esq
Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW1

Prime Minister

Content? MP 19/1

19 January 1981

Yes not

Dear Mike

The Minister for the Arts, Mr Channon, wishes to appoint
Mr David Atkinson MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.
Mr Atkinson was the Minister's PPS at the Civil Service Department.

The Chief Whip's Office has been consulted; I would be grateful if
you could let me know if the Prime Minister is content with this
arrangement.

Yours sincerely
Ros

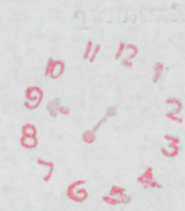
MRS R TURP
Private Secretary

transmission.

Don't forget to mention the other interests to Congress and the
the other interests to the other countries! I don't know if
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19 JAN 1981



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10 DOWNING STREET

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From the Private Secretary

19 January 1981

You spoke to me on Friday about the Parliamentary Private Secretaries at the Department of Industry.

The Prime Minister is content for Mr. Baker to invite John Lee to serve as his PPS.

You also said that you understood that the Prime Minister would be happy for both Department of Industry Ministers of State to have their own PPSs.

The Prime Minister would prefer to avoid enlarging the numbers too much, but she is prepared to agree if both Ministers of State feel that there is a need for a PPS. She recognises that this helps to offer a more interesting role for backbenchers.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

I. K. C. Ellison, Esq.,
Department of Industry.

CB

(Cabinet Office: no comment

MAP, 19/1)



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Whitehall London SW1A 2AZ

Telephone 01-273 3000

Minister of State

N Sanders Esq
10 Downing Street
LONDON SW1

16 January 1981

Prime Minister

Agree?

Yes Mr.

MAP, 19/1

Dear Nick,

APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY PRIVATE SECRETARIES

I am writing to let you know that the Minister of State (Mr Barney Hayhoe MP) would like to appoint Mr T Garel-Jones MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

The Minister mentioned this earlier today to the Chief Whip who raised no objection. Mr Hayhoe would therefore be most grateful if you would seek the Prime Minister's approval before he approaches Mr Garel-Jones.

I am copying this to Felicity Yonge in the Government Chief Whip's Office.

Yours sincerely
Gary Rogers.

G D ROGERS
Assistant Private Secretary

(Cabinet office have no comment)

1.

PRIME MINISTER

Kenneth Baker would like John Lee
as his PPS.

Content?

Yes.

Can you confirm that you have agreed
that both DOI Ministers of State should
have their own PPS? (You originally agreed
that Departments with one Cabinet Minister
could have one other PPS).

I should rather ~~MAF~~
not to many but
if they ~~both~~ want them -
agreed. It helps to
keep no one interested to us
not.
back benches.

16 January 1981



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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

15 January 1981

Thank you for your letter of 14 January. The Prime Minister has noted that Mr. Hal Miller, M.P., will continue to act as Mr. Pym's Parliamentary Private Secretary.

M. A. PATTISON

R. A. Birch, Esq.,
Office of the Chancellor of the Duchy
of Lancaster.

SP

cc Mr Gow

2.



PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE
WHITEHALL, LONDON SW1A 2AT

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

14 January 1981

Premier Minister

N J Sanders Esq
Private Secretary
Number 10 Downing Street

MAJ
14/12

Dear Nick,

I write to confirm that, as I told you the other day, Mr Pym proposes to continue with Mr Hal Miller MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary.

I am sending copies of this letter to Murdo Maclean and David Wright.

Yours ever,

R A Birch

R A Birch
Principal Private Secretary



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10 DOWNING STREET

Pattison

From the Private Secretary

13 January 1981

The Prime Minister has seen your letter of 12 January to Clive Whitmore, about the appointment of a PPS to the Chief Secretary. She would be delighted for Mr. John Butcher to be invited to take the post.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office).

M. A. PATTISON

T.F. Mathews, Esq.,
H.M. Treasury.

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(Cabinet Office previously consulted: no objection)



Prime Minister

Content for Mr Butcher
to be offered role of
PPS to Chief Secretary?

Yes - delighted.

no

Treasury Chambers, Parliament Street, SW1P 3AG

MAF

Clive Whitmore Esq
Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW1

12 January 1981

Dear Clive,

The Chief Secretary would be grateful for the approval of the Prime Minister to the appointment of John Butcher Esq MP as his Parliamentary Private Secretary. He has consulted the Chief Whip, who agrees.

The Chief Secretary would like to approach Mr Butcher tomorrow. I should therefore be grateful to know the Prime Minister's reaction to this proposal as soon as possible, please.

Yours ever

Terry Matthews

T F MATHEWS

LONDON

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