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PRIME MINISTER

NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND PUBLIC OPINION

I read with interest the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary's minute to you of 7th January about nuclear weapons and public opinion.

2. I agree with him that 1983 will be a crucial year and I am already looking at what more needs to be done in this area. A good deal of action is of course already in hand including in some of the areas referred to by the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary. I support many of his ideas, though I have reservations on some. Rather than detail them now could I strongly support his suggestion of a meeting - it would be very helpful for me if this could be held soon.

*WJH*

Ministry of Defence  
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