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From the Minister

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Dear Sir

CROWN AGENTS HOLDING AND REALISATION BOARD: ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 1984

There is a statutory requirement that the Report and Accounts, which are separate documents, be laid before Parliament; in the case of the Accounts, this must be done not later than the end of July. The Comptroller and Auditor General is responsible for laying the Accounts, which will be published by HMSO as a Parliamentary document. Responsibility for laying the Report, which will be published by the Board as a non-Parliamentary paper, rests with this Administration.

Provided no last minute problems arise, the Comptroller and Auditor General proposes to lay the Accounts on Wednesday 24 July. We propose to lay the Report on the same day and to arrange for the House of Commons to be informed by means of a Question for written answer on that day. The Answer will indicate that copies of the published Report and Accounts will be placed in the libraries of both Houses as soon as they are available. The timetable for presenting and publishing the Accounts is in the hands of HMSO; it is hoped that publication will be possible about the end of July or early in August but it will not be possible to confirm this until nearer the time. The Board would publish the Report on the same day but it is not expected that any publicity will be given to it.

now I should be grateful if you would let me know whether you see any objection to the Report being laid on 24 July.

I am copying this letter to Murdo MacLean (Chief Whip's Office), Miss Lewis-Jones (Lord President's Office), Anthony Cary (FCO), Mr Johnson (FCO Parliamentary Unit) and John Salvesson (Treasury).

Yours sincerely

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