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PRIME MINISTER

**MIDDAY SUPERVISION**

I have seen Keith Joseph's minute of 21 October to you in which he seeks agreement in principle to the immediate introduction of a short Bill to enable DES to proceed by way of specific grant. I have no objection to this course of action.

The problem of ensuring that additional money made available to pay for the proposed supervision arrangements should be directed in such a way that it could only be spent for its intended purpose will not arise in Northern Ireland. The financial procedures of the Department of Education for Northern Ireland enable it to so direct resources.

There will of course be financial implications for DENI should the proposed midday supervision scheme, or something similar, be introduced in Northern Ireland.

I am sending copies of this minute to members of E(PSP), Willie Whitelaw, George Younger, Nick Edwards, John Biffen, John Wakeham and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

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