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PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH IN THE DEBATE  
ON WESTLAND - MONDAY 27 JANUARY 1986

The Solicitor General has seen the draft Speech. (The Attorney General is, I understand, at No.10). The Solicitor has proposed the following amendments to the draft Speech:

1. Page 11: Add after line 5 the following: "I understand that the Solicitor General spoke to the Defence Secretary on the telephone, told him of his provisional opinion about his published letter and warned him that he (the Solicitor General) would probably write to him on Monday 6 January when he had checked the documents and advise him to correct the inaccuracy".
2. Page 12: If the Prime Minister agrees that the further correspondence between Mr Heseltine and the Solicitor General should be disclosed, a reference could be made to the two letters after line 5.
3. Page 14, line 5: Amend "proposed" to "asked" (this would be consistent with the last line of page 16).

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Lord President, the Lord Privy Seal, the Chief Whip, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, the Home Secretary and Sir Robert Armstrong, to Sir Brian Hayes in the Department of Trade and Industry, to Sir Clive Whitmore in the Ministry of Defence and to Mr Wiggins in the Cabinet Office.

*Yours sincerely,  
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