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At its meeting this morning the Defence Committee considered the Government's Reply (Cmnd 9916) to the Committee's Third Report of the present Session, The Defence Implications of the Future of Westland plc, HC 518, and the Committee's Fourth Report, Westland plc; the Government's Decision Making, HC 519.

The Committee broadly welcomes the Government's response to the Third Report.

The Committee considers that the Government's response to the Committee's Fourth Report raises a number of questions. The Committee will wish to examine these matters further following the forthcoming debate.

The Committee sees no reason to modify any part of its Fourth Report in the light of the Government's Reply.

> Robert Rogers Clerk to the Committee

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