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UNITED KINGDOM/USSR MARITIME TREATY: NEGOTIATING OBJECTIVES

- 1 Thank you for your minute of 22 March.
- I am entirely content with the commercial negotiating objectives you propose. As you have noted, our security objectives in re-negotiating the Treaty are under consideration by the Defence and Oversea Policy Committee.
- 3 Unless colleagues on MISC 19 indicate to the contrary by 5 April, I shall assume that silence means consent and that the Group will not need to meet to discuss the subject.
- I am copying this minute to the Prime Minister, colleagues on MISC 19 and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

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