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I am writing with reference to John Howe's letter MO 23/IV of 30 April.

The Foreign Secretary supports the Defence Secretary's belief that he would be justified, at least in the first instance, in seeking to prevent disclosure of the whole document.

I am sending copies of this letter to John Howe (MOD), Henry Steel (Attorney General's Office), Michael Stark (Cabinet Office) and John Bailey (Treasury Solicitor).

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