

Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE RADIO SPECTRUM (30-960 MHz) (Merriman Report)

The Chief Secretary has seen a copy of your Minister's letter of 4 July to Mr Heseltine about the Merriman Report.

The Chief Secretary has no objections to the publication of the Report as a White Paper nor to the terms of the draft answer to the PQ.

However, the Chief Secretary notes from the Summary that several of the recommendations, if accepted, could have financial and manpower resource and pricing implications. He would therefore be grateful if your officials keep the Treasury in close touch with the consideration of the Report.

I am copying this letter to the private secretaries to other members of Cabinet and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

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