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From the Private Secretary

Prime Minister ①

With your agreement, we circulated Dr Nicholson's views on the merits of different categories of expenditure to Members of MISC 106, to help them in their work. Dr Nicholson's note, which was written as a brief, was not drafted for transmission to Mr Jopling, though the Lord President agreed to make it available to him.

This has drawn an invited response from MAFF. Nevertheless Dr Nicholson stands by his judgement.

I see no point in prolonging this correspondence. Agree therefore merely to vote Mr Jopling's minute?

AT 30/10