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PRIME MINISTER

Public Expenditure Survey

I have seen the Chief Secretary's paper of 9 January, and Mr Ingham's minute to you of 7 January about the public expenditure survey.

On the basis of both my experience as Chairman of MISC 106 and my responsibility for the presentation of policy, I am convinced that we must aim for a shorter period of time between the public expenditure survey and the Budget. In a perfect world they should come together, but I suppose that is now impossible.

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