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From the Private Secretary

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PUBLIC EXPENDITURE PRIORITIES

The Prime Minister has seen the Chief Secretary's minute of 14 June. She has noted the suggestion that a letter be circulated setting out more fully the guidelines for the discussion at Chequers on Sunday. The Prime Minister prefers, however, to do this in her opening remarks to the meeting. I would be grateful if a speaking note could be prepared making the following points:

- (i) Ministers should approach the discussion as members of the Government not as departmental advocates.
- (ii) The discussion should range over the prospects into the 1990s rather than centring on the survey period.
- (iii) The discussion should not be about details of particular programmes.

|| Could this reach me by lunchtime on Friday.

(Andrew Turnbull)

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