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From the Private Secretary

4 November 1985

PUBLIC EXPENDITURE: 1985-86 OUTTURN

The Prime Minister was most concerned to learn from the Chief Secretary's minute of 31 October that there is the prospect of an overspend on the 1985-86 planning total. She regards it as vital that this should not be allowed to happen. She hopes her colleagues will take every possible measure to keep within the resources they have available to them, and to avoid bids against the Reserve.

I am copying this letter to Private Secretaries to members of the Cabinet and to Michael Stark.

(DAVID NORGROVE)

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