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You may be interested to see the text of the inspired question which my Secretary of State will be answering today on Jeff Rooker's allegations against Rolls Royce.

CATHERINE BELL Private Secretary

Yours sincerely Catherine Bey -7 AUG 1980 12 23 0 - 1 9 0 7 6 3 .... To ask the Secretary of State for Industry if he will make a statement about Rolls Royce contract procedures.

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"On the basis of evidence available to me I see nothing which reflects discredit on the Company.

Rolls Royce, my Hon Friend and I have all asked the Hon Member for Birmingham (Perry Bar) to supply further evidence to support his allegations but he has declined to do so.

As the House will be aware Rolls Royce have investigated them an have concluded that there is no substance in the Hon Member's allegations and the persons referred to by him as witnesses have not supported the allegations."