

PRIME MINISTER

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL/AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

You may like to ask:

- (a) The Minister of Agriculture to describe the outcome of the Agriculture Council;
- (b) The Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary to describe the outcome of the Foreign Affairs Council.

You will then need to decide, with reference to the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary's statement to the House in the afternoon, what should be said about:-

- (i) Supplementary advance to the Commission;
- (ii) Prospects for our refunds, bearing in mind that they will now not be paid by 31 March;
- (iii) Withholding.

Finally, you may wish to have a brief discussion about the tactics for the period between now and the next Foreign Affairs Council on 9 April.

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