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PRIME MINISTER

Cabinet: Industrial Affairs

There are two items: coal and the docks.

Coal

- 2. You will wish to ask for the usual reports from:
 - i. the <u>Secretary of State for Energy</u> on the NCB/NUM talks on the NUM Delegate Conference and the legal action related to it on progress in getting the miners back to work
 - ii. the <u>Home Secretary</u> on the disturbances in South Yorkshire on intimidation
 - iii. the <u>Secretary of State for Trade and Industry</u> on the latest position at the British Steel Corporation's major plants
 - iv. the <u>Secretary of State for Transport</u> on coal movements by rail.

Docks

- 3. You will wish to ask for reports from
 - i. the <u>Secretary of State for Transport</u> on the extent of the strike
 - ii. the <u>Secretary of State for Employment</u>
 on the issues relating to the National Dock
 Labour Scheme
 - iii. the <u>Secretary of State for Trade and Industry</u> on how the strike is likely to affect industry.

Further Meetings

4. The next meeting of MISC 101 is on Monday 16 July at 4.00 pm. Any discussion of the dock strike which may prove

necessary can be arranged in the Civil Contingencies Unit either at Ministerial level under the Home Secretary or at official level.

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