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From the Private Secretary

John Gummer rang the PM at 8.20
about the dock strike.

2. He had highly ^{secret} but absolutely
generic information that ^{two} Felixstowe &

Dover convenors were meeting in
London today. They intend both to
tell the Delegate Conference on

Thursday that they cannot help
their men out & will be taking
them back on Friday

3. The conclusion drawn was that it
was crucial for the Government to do
nothing wrong. It should be low
today, and any public comment should

be more in sorrow than in
anger: the strike was heartbreaking
for business, for the jobs of
ordinary people & for holiday-makers —
but nothing more.

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