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From the Private Secretary

MR. FAIRCLOUGH,
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The Prime Minister has seen your letter of 28 April to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry and his reply. She does not feel that a meeting of E(ST) would be the right way forward. She accepts that if we are to get the funding question properly resolved we may well have to miss the possibility of having a declared position at the June Council meeting of ESA. She feels on reflection that this is something which ought to be resolved in the overall context of science and technology spending in the forthcoming PES round and would be grateful if the Chief Secretary would take on the task.

I am copying this minute to the Private Secretaries to the members of E(ST) and to Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

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