

PRIME MINISTER

Following your short talk with Mr. Heseltine yesterday after Cabinet you asked ^{me} him to arrange a meeting with Sir Robert Armstrong to discuss the security points raised by Mr. Heseltine.

I have enquired into this. In fact the Department of the Environment (Sir George Moseley) have already raised these points with Sir Robert Armstrong as Permanent Secretary of the MPO and Head of the Civil Service. I understand he is going to arrange a meeting to consider what action to take to deal with ~~the~~ worrying points which have arisen. Would you like the outcome to be reported to you?

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Yes pls

16 July, 1982.

cc: Security - Birmingham
Palace Couriers
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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

Mr. Wright

I mentioned to you on the telephone at the end of last week that the Secretary of State for the Environment had a brief word with the Prime Minister after Cabinet on Thursday on several security matters, one relating to a leak in connection with a PSA contract which involved Sheerness Steel; another about the Secretary of State's security responsibilities in Royal Palaces and Government buildings. You told me that Sir George Moseley had been in touch with Sir Robert Armstrong on the same points, and that Sir Robert would be taking action to deal with the questions which arise.

The purpose of this minute is to record that the Prime Minister would be grateful for a report from Sir Robert Armstrong on these matters. She would be grateful if the report were copied to the Secretary of State for the Environment.

I am sending a copy of this minute to David Edmonds (Department of the Environment).

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19 July, 1982.