

HOUSE OF COMMONS

From: Michael Foot MP

16 December 1982

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Thank you for your letter about your intention to refer the case of Lance Corporal P.L. Aldridge to the Security Commission.

From the information you give me, I can certainly have no objection to that.

I should be grateful to know, however, the criteria by which the Security Commission differentiate between the Prime case and the Aldridge case so that they can examine one before criminal proceedings are completed and not the other.

I am glad to have your assurance that we will be able to have a debate on security in the House before very long.

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The Right Honourable Margaret Thatcher MP

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From the Principal Private Secretary

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SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

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I attach a copy of a reply to the Prime Minister from the Leader of the Opposition about Lance Corporal Aldridge. Could you please advise me on how the Prime Minister might reply to the second paragraph of Mr Foot's letter.

I am informing the Lord President's office of the contents of the third paragraph.

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From the Principal Private Secretary

20 December 1982

Dear David,

HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE ON SECURITY

This is to let you know that in replying to the Prime Minister's letter of 16 December about Lance Corporal Aldridge, Mr Foot said:-

"I am glad to have your assurance that we will be able to have a debate on security in the House before very long".

Your sincerely,

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David Heyhoe Esq., Lord President's Office.

