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## MINISTERIAL CONTACTS WITH THE SOVIET UNION

You will wish to know that the Defence Secretary has been invited by the Soviet Ambassador to dinner or lunch at the Soviet Embassy once the Ambassador returns to London. The 16th or 28th October have been suggested as possible dates.

I will be putting this invitation to Mr Heseltine for him to consider, in accordance with the guidelines set out in Roger Bone's letter of 16th April to John Coles, but before doing so I would welcome any thoughts you might have on presentational or other aspects.

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