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## NATIONAL COAL BOARD: SALARIES OF NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

I am content with the proposal in your letter to me of 11 June for pay increases for the non-executive members of the National Coal Board of 5.2 per cent from 1 November 1983 and a further 5.2 per cent from 1 November 1984, in line with the increases already agreed for the executive members.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, other members of E(NI) and Sir Robert Armstrong.

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NATIONAL COAL BOARD: SALARIES OF PART-TIME MEMBERS

Your letter of 10 December 1984 agreed that there should be a 5.2% increase in the salaries of the full-time Board Members, with the exception of Messrs MacGregor and Cowan, from 1 November 1983; and your letter of 28 December agreed to a further increase of 5.2% from 1 November 1984 in the salaries of Messrs Spanton and Harrison.

Mr MacGregor has written to me seeking consequential increases for the part-time Board Members.  $\cdot$ 

As you will know, the normal salary paid to part-time Board Members is one-eighth of the mid-point of the full-time Members' range. Although increases have been given to Messrs Spanton and Harrison as full-time Members, the salary currently paid to the part-time Members, except Sir Melvyn Rosser, is £4,540, which is the rate derived from the November 1982 ranges. Mr MacGregor proposes that this should be increased by 5.2% from 1 November 1983 (to £4,776) and a further 5.2% from 1 November 1984 (to £5,024).

Sir Melvyn Rosser's salary is presently £10,000 pa, based on a commitment of 60 days per year on Board business and the salary ranges paid to other Members of the Board prior to the November 1983 and November 1984 increases to full-time Members. The level of commitment has been maintained, and Mr MacGregor therefore also proposes an increase in Sir Melvyn Rosser's salary by 5.2% from 1 November 1983 (to £10,520) and 5.2% from 1 November 1984 (to £11,067).

I endorse these proposals and would welcome your agreement to them. I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, members of E(NI) and Sir Robert Armstrong.

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