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From the Private Secretary

15 September 1986

Dear Geoff,

THE ENEMY WITHIN

Your Secretary of State this afternoon discussed with the Prime Minister the handling of the publication of Sir Ian MacGregor's book 'The Enemy Within'.

It was agreed that Mr. Walker would issue a short statement to say that the defeat of the politically motivated strike was attributable to the willingness of some miners to continue to work, to the determined efforts of the police in upholding the rule of law, to the contribution made by sensible trade unionists throughout the country, and to a totally united Government which did not falter. Mr. Walker said he would also wish to include a sentence to the effect that Sir Ian MacGregor had said to their faces none of the criticisms of politicians, civil servants and others which he had included in his book.

The Prime Minister would be glad to see a draft of the statement when it is ready.

Yours,

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