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From the Principal Private Secretary

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

THE FRANKS REPORT : INTELLIGENCE CONCERNS

The Prime Minister discussed with you this morning your minute of 6 January (A083/0033) about amendments which the intelligence agencies felt it necessary to propose to the Franks Report before publication in the interests of national security.

The Prime Minister agreed that it was necessary to propose the amendments listed in the schedules to your minute in the interests of protecting and maintaining sources of intelligence and agreed that you should discuss them on this basis with Lord Franks. The Prime Minister was concerned about the scope which the Report in its original form provides for detection of sources of intelligence, and you agreed that you would inquire from Lord Franks how many copies of the report had been circulated outside Government (e.g. to members of the Review Committee) and whether the holders of these copies should be warned of their sensitivity and perhaps asked to surrender them when the printed report was available.

F.R.B.

7 January 1983

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