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PRIME MINISTER

BILATERAL WITH LORD YOUNG

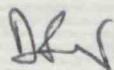
Lord Young wants to mention the following points.

First, he would like to remind you that he intends next month to change the definition of the unemployment percentage so that the self-employed and the armed services are included in the denominator. (You proposed this change yourself on the basis of advice from Oliver Letwin.)

Secondly, Lord Young will report progress on discussions with the DHSS about following up people who do not turn up for their Restart interviews. Lord Young and Mr. Fowler have agreed that the work of the Unemployment Review Officers and responsibility for people who fail to attend should be transferred from DHSS to Department of Employment. The papers on this are below. I have asked MPO advice for form's sake but the change is entirely sensible. You might also mention David Willetts' point to Lord Young. (A report on possible more radical changes is on its way.)

Thirdly, Lord Young wants to mention some ideas about development agencies. I am not sure what.

Fourthly, the statement announcing the nationwide extension of Restart is to be made tomorrow. Statements on TVEI follow on Wednesday.



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