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PRIME MINISTER

HANDLING OF THE BUDGET CABINET

You will want to invite the Chancellor to summarise his Budget package. As in previous years the Chancellor does not intend passing round a piece of paper.

After the Chancellor's presentation you will want to invite other members of Cabinet to comment, and end with a conclusion of strong Cabinet endorsement of the imaginative package. You will also want to emphasise to Cabinet members the importance of nothing being said before the Chancellor's Statement.

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