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THE PRIME MINISTER

2 July 1980

Dear Mr. O'Brien,

Thank you for your letter of 19 June about the recommendations of the Top Salaries Review Body in relation to Senior Staff in the Civil Service.

Your views have been noted and will be taken into account in our consideration of the Review Body's recommendations. I am glad to note in particular that the Association recognises the need for restraint and the role of cash limits. You can rest assured that whatever decisions are taken will be for reasons of substance and not cosmetics. Our prime objective is to reduce inflation and it is within that context that we must consider the recommendations of the Review Body.

Yours sincerely
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