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To note

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FAIR WAGES RESOLUTION (FWR)

I welcome Norman Tebbit's proposal, in his minute to you of 10 December, to move towards abolishing the FWR as soon as international obligations allow us to do so. The merits of the case lie solely on the side of repeal. I also agree with you that there is a strong case for acting on Wages Councils at the same time.

2 I trust that the consultations with industry will not be confined to the CBI. On this, as on other issues, the National Chamber of Trade, the Association of British Chambers of Commerce and, of course, representatives of small firms, will welcome being given an opportunity to express their views.

3 I am sending copies of this minute to the other members of E Committee and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

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