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From the Private Secretary

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See Roger.

**NOx PROTOCOL AND DECLARATION**

The Prime Minister has considered your Secretary of State's minute of 14 October covering the line which he proposes to take in response to the signature by a certain number of countries of a Declaration committing themselves to achieve a 30 per cent reduction in NOx by 1998. She is generally content with the proposed line. But she would like to see the passage on what we have done strengthened and extended so that it does not cover just NOx emissions; and also to point out where others who make great claims for their record on environmental issues have in fact failed to act effectively, for example over pollution of the Rhine and the Mediterranean and by rejecting of further development of nuclear power.

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, the Trade and Industry Secretary, the Transport Secretary, the Energy Secretary and to Sir Robin Butler.

you do work.

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