

PRIME MINISTER

You are seeing Sir Robert Armstrong and Mr. Ibbs at 1630 tomorrow, Thursday to discuss two staff matters affecting the CPRS:-

a) The replacement for Dr. Ashworth as the Chief Scientist, CPRS and Sir Robert Armstrong's proposal that we should strengthen the availability of scientific advice at the Centre by having an informal arrangement with a small number of very highly distinguished scientists who could be consulted ad hoc.

b) The proposal that an Under Secretary vacancy in the CPRS should be filled by Mr. Gordon Wasserman, a Home Office Assistant Secretary, on promotion.

The papers on both subjects are in the attached folder.

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