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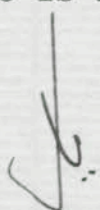
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PRIME MINISTER'S MEETINGS ON THE WATER STRIKE

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It may be that over the weekend the water strike will be lifted. But we must plan on the assumption that it will not be. I cannot at this stage offer a useful brief for the meeting planned for 9.30 am on Monday, but there is one question which I think should be decided if it looked as though the strike will continue: how frequently we need to meet.

The Ministerial level CCU will be meeting at 9.30 am on Tuesday, and the Prime Minister does of course have separate press briefings in preparation for Question Time first thing on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It would seem to me sensible (and those to whom I have spoken agree) to limit the Prime Minister's meetings on the water strike to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, unless there is a development which requires specific attention.


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~~Prime Minister~~
I thought you
wanted, for the time being,
to meet every day?