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In view of the change of Administration, I think it would be wise to put the present machinery for handling industrial intelligence into abeyance until I have had an opportunity of ascertaining the wishes of the new Prime Minister. This means that the weekly meetings of the "short-term" Group concerned with Industrial Assessments (IAG), and periodic meetings of the Group which deals with Subversion in Public Life (SPL) in the medium and long-term, both under Home Office Chairmanship, should be suspended. I would be grateful if you would ensure that all papers of the two Groups issued to your Department are returned by the Control Officer to the JIC Secretariat in accordance with the normal arrangements for disposing of these papers.

I am copying this to those shown in the attached distribution list with the request that they will make similar arrangements for the return of all IAG and SPL papers.

(John Hunt)

Sir Arthur Peterson, KCB, MVO