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Dear Jill

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1987 PUBLIC EXPENDITURE WHITE PAPER

Thank you for circulating a copy of the 1987 White Paper with your letter of 10 December

Chart 1.5 should have a footnote to explain that the percentage change for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is high as one-off sales of cereals to Spain and of beef to Brazil have resulted in an unusually low estimated outturn for the base year, 1986-87.

The text of the Agriculture chapter has been agreed by officials, and the Minister is content for it to be published.

I am copying this letter to the Private Secretaries to members of Cabinet and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

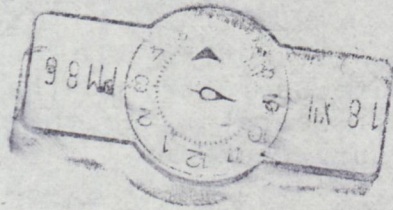
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