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*Also - this is very
private, and
guests have been
invited on that basis:*

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*Prime Minister, we will let Tom know the
gist of what happens.
Would you wish to
invite Mr Wheeler? (To do so may set a
precedent.)*

*DNW
4/9.*

Dear David,

SEMINAR ON BROADCASTING POLICY

As I mentioned to you on the telephone the other day, Mr John Wheeler MP has asked if it would be possible for him to attend the Prime Minister's seminar on broadcasting policy on 21 October.

As you know, Mr Wheeler is expected to succeed Sir Edward Gardner as Chairman of the House of Commons Home Affairs Committee and has indicated that if he is appointed he intends to hold an early inquiry into broadcasting. Mr Wheeler made it clear that he was not thinking in terms of participating in the discussion, but simply sitting in as "a fly on the wall".

While the Prime Minister would not, of course, wish the occasion to be cluttered by spectators, there is clearly some advantage in inviting Mr Wheeler if it is possible to do so. Subject to the Prime Minister's views, the Home Secretary would be inclined to extend an invitation to Mr Wheeler.

Yours ever,

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