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*Dear Leon*

SHOP HOURS AND SUNDAY TRADING

I have seen John Cope's letter of 22 January to you analysing the numbers of Members for and against the reform of shop hours and Sunday trading. It occurs to me that a good way of testing the strength of the opposition in the House first might be through a 10 minute rule Bill. We would then be better placed to decide the way forward. Is there any chance that you could arrange for one to be 'inspired'?

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, other Members of Cabinet, to John Cope and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

*Tom*

*Nicholas*

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