

Prime Minister

PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH
TO THE PARTY CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME DRAFT

INTRODUCTION

MY FIRST WORDS MUST BE OF GRATITUDE TO THOSE WHO
ORGANISED THIS CONFERENCE AND LOOKED
AFTER OUR SECURITY, BRINGING US SAFELY
TO THIS GREAT MASS MEETING.

THERE ARE MANY HERE TODAY WHO STILL BEAR THE
SCARS OF INJURY AND BEREAVEMENT
INFLICTED LAST YEAR BY TERRORISTS
WHEN THEY STRUCK IN THE HOURS OF
DARKNESS.
THEY REMIND US OF THE RISKS WE ALL TAKE
AND WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE FOR FREEDOM.

AND I SHOULD LIKE TO SAY A WORD ABOUT OUR FRIEND AND

COLLEAGUE JOHN GUMMER WHOSE DEDICATION

AND TIRELESSNESS IN THOSE TRAUMATIC

HOURS AND FOR MANY DAYS AFTERWARDS WON

UNIVERSAL ADMIRATION.

WE THANK HIM FOR HIS CHAIRMANSHIP OF

OUR PARTY, FOR HIS UNFAILING SENSE OF

DUTY AND LOYALTY AND WISH HIM WELL IN

HIS NEW WORK AS A MEMBER OF OUR MINISTERIAL

TEAM.

MR. PRESIDENT, IT IS TEN YEARS SINCE I FIRST

ADDRESSED THIS CONFERENCE AS LEADER.

IN THE SAME TOWN.

IN THE SAME HALL.

FROM ^{this} ~~THE~~ SAME PLATFORM.

I REMEMBER THAT MEETING AS THOUGH IT WERE YESTERDAY.

THE WELCOME, THE WARMTH, THE GENEROUS

SUPPORT THAT CAME UP FROM THE HALL.

I ALREADY KNEW ONLY TOO WELL THE TASK

THAT FACED ME.

BUT I HAD NOT FULLY REALISED THE STRENGTH

THAT WOULD BE GIVEN TO ME BY OUR PEOPLE

AND WAS TO SUSTAIN ME FIRST IN THE YEARS

OF OPPOSITION AND THEN AS PRIME MINISTER.

MR. PRESIDENT, IN THAT SPEECH I SAID ~~THEN THAT~~ IT
WAS NO PART OF MY PURPOSE TO PRESIDE
OVER THE CONTINUING DECLINE OF BRITAIN;
OVER DIMINISHING INTERNATIONAL ESTEEM;
OVER THE EBB OF ^{tion} INDEPENDENT SPIRIT.
_{ow}

I also said

THAT IT WAS NO PART OF MY POLICY TO PERPETUATE
SOCIALISM BY PROXY.

SINCE THEN ~~MUCH~~ HAS CHANGED.
W. F. Buckley Jr.
BUT THAT HASN'T.

Labour

DO YOU REMEMBER THE BRITAIN OF 1979?

③ *- that was*
~~WE~~ WE WERE KNOWN AS THE SICK MAN OF EUROPE.

we spoke
- WE MOUTHED THE LANGUAGE OF

④ COMPASSION. *but ~~you~~ perhaps the way let of discontent*

~~BUT WE NO LONGER HAD THE WHERE WITH ALL~~

~~TO PAY FOR IT.~~

① IT WAS A BRITAIN-IN WHICH UNION LEADERS
HELD THEIR MEMBERS AND COUNTRY TO RANSOM.

A ~~BRITAIN~~-THAT STILL WENT TO INTERNATIONAL

② CONFERENCES BUT WAS NO LONGER TAKEN

SERIOUSLY.

~~WE HAD COME TO EXPECT THE GOVERNMENT TO DO~~

~~MORE AND MORE AS WE DID LESS AND LESS FOR~~

~~OURSELVES.~~

~~THE~~ GOVERNMENTS HAD FAILED TO TACKLE THE REAL
PROBLEMS WHICH AFFLICTED US.

~~EVERY EFFORT WAS MADE TO DODGE~~ ^{THEY} ^D DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

RATHER THAN FACE UP TO THEM.

THE QUESTION ^{they asked about} ~~SO MANY GOVERNMENTS ASKED~~

^{the medicine}
WAS ~~IN~~ NOT "WILL ~~IT~~ WORK?"

BUT "WILL THE MEDICINE TASTE ALRIGHT?"

ALL RIGHT

WHAT A WAY TO RUN ^a THE COUNTRY.

they said *But Did*
WHAT WE COULDN'T DO ~~BUT DID~~

WHEN WE CONSERVATIVES SAID - "THIS IS THE WAY"

THEY SAID - "FORGET IT".

~~BUT WE DIDN'T.~~

WE WERE TOLD / YOU CAN'T REFORM THE TRADE UNIONS -

THEIR LEADERS WON'T LET YOU.

BUT WE DID.

WE WERE TOLD / YOU CAN'T ABOLISH PRICES AND WAGES

CONTROLS - INFLATION WILL GO UP.

BUT WE DID - AND IT CAME DOWN.

WE WERE TOLD YOU CAN'T GIVE COUNCIL TENANTS THE
RIGHT TO BUY - ~~COUNCILS WON'T LIKE IT,~~
BUT WE DID - AND THE HOUSES SOLD LIKE
HOT CAKES.

~~They said~~
They said
THEY SAID YOU CAN'T DENATIONALISE - THE WORKFORCE
WON'T WEAR IT.

BUT WE DID AND THEY SNAPPED UP THE SHARES.

WE WERE TOLD YOU'LL NEVER STAND A MAJOR INDUSTRIAL
STRIKE, LET ALONE A COAL STRIKE.

MR. PRESIDENT, IT TOOK A WHOLE YEAR.

BUT WE DID JUST THAT - ^{and} ~~WE~~ WON.

was state conducted by violence
~~IN SPITE OF THE VIOLENCE, IN SPITE OF THE~~ *with violence*
 INTIMIDATION LABOUR SUPPORTED THE *strikes*
~~STRIKING MINERS THROUGHOUT~~ *for the better end* *with the* *with the*

INDEED, THREE MONTHS INTO THE STRIKE,
 MR. KINNOCK TOLD MR. SCARGILL PUBLICLY
 THAT THERE WAS "NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO FIGHT
 - ALL OTHER ROADS ARE SHUT OFF".

Do you
~~AND WHAT D'YOU~~ THINK WOULD HAVE HAPPENED AT LAST
 WEEK'S LABOUR CONFERENCE IF MR. SCARGILL
 HAD WON?

I THINK THE WHOLE COUNTRY KNOWS THE
 ANSWER.
 NEIL WOULD HAVE KNELT.

MR. PRESIDENT, COURAGE IS NOT MAKING A SPEECH IN

BOURNEMOUTH LONG AFTER THE EVENT.

COURAGE IS WHAT YOU SHOW IN THE HEAT OF

THE BATTLE;

NOT AT THE POST-MORTEM.

REAL COURAGE WAS THE COURAGE SHOWN

BY THE WORKING MINERS.

BY THE WORKING LORRY DRIVERS.

BY THE WORKING RAILWAY MEN.

BY THE WORKING STEEL MEN.

BY THE WORKING DOCKERS.

~~BY THE POWER WORKERS~~

THE VERY PEOPLE THE LABOUR PARTY DISOWNED.

ACHIEVEMENTS.

IN THE SIX AND A HALF YEARS WE HAVE SERVED THE
NATION, MR. PRESIDENT, MUCH HAS BEEN
ACHIEVED.

The national output
investment
PRODUCTION, STANDARD OF LIVING AND
INVESTMENT ARE AT AN ALL TIME RECORD.

INFLATION IS DOWN - *This morning I heard it had gone down further.*
PERSONAL OWNERSHIP IS GROWING.

(lost) *ASSETS. (lost)*
OUR OVERSEAS INVESTMENT HAS MULTIPLIED
in 6 years. They
MORE THAN SIXFOLD; ~~IT~~ NOW BRINGS US AN
of some £3,000 million.
ANNUAL INCOME OF ~~£2.5 BILLION~~

Seven hundred
THERE ARE 700 ADDITIONAL NEW BUSINESSES
STARTING UP EVERY WEEK.

INDEED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OUR HISTORY
THE NUMBER OF COMPANIES IN BRITAIN HAS TOPPED
ONE MILLION.

RATES OF INCOME TAX ARE DOWN.

THREE MAJOR TAXES HAVE BEEN ABOLISHED.

AND THAT'S NOT ALL.

April 11:

(AND) ~~everybody~~ ^{everybody} you heard my next class
neighbors, the church - in a ~~very~~ ^{very} short week
on the road since

~~MR.~~ PRESIDENT, YOU HAVE HEARD ME SAY THAT THE HEALTH

SERVICE WAS SAFE WITH US.

SO IT WAS.

SO IT IS.

AND SO IT WILL BE.

OUR OPPONENTS HAVE CONDUCTED A RELENTLESS CAMPAIGN

TO CONVEY THE OPPOSITE.

THE ONLY WAY TO NAIL A LIE CONSTANTLY

REPEATED IS TO REPEAT THE TRUTH EVEN

MORE FREQUENTLY.

WE HAVE MORE DOCTORS AND NURSES AND THEY ARE

TREATING MORE PATIENTS THAN EVER.

AND IT TOOK A CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT

TO GIVE THE NURSES ^{independent} A PAY REVIEW BODY

AND ^{for which they} ~~(CHECK TO ACCEPT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS~~

^{for which they} ~~FOR SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN SALARY)~~

~~And the government.~~ ~~And the government.~~

TELL IT ON THE DOORSTEPS.

TELL IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

FOR IT IS THE TRUTH.

BUT IT IS NOT KNOWN.

PENSIONS, TOO, HAVE BEEN THE OBJECT OF A

Notoriously cruel
SUSTAINED CAMPAIGN OF FALSE PROPAGANDA;

~~A PARTICULARLY CRUEL CAMPAIGN DESIGNED TO~~

~~ALARM OUR SENIOR CITIZENS.~~

HERE ARE THE FACTS TO NAIL THE

"PENSIONS" LIE.

Let me make this clear to every pensioner

~~LET ME MAKE IT CLEAR.~~

*remains - that was never
and certainly not in
doubt.*

THE BASIC PENSION IS THE MAINSTAY FOR

~~THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE RETIRED.~~

~~LET ME MAKE IT CLEAR THAT UNDER THIS~~

Under this ~~CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT IS HAS BEEN AND~~

Review

~~WILL CONTINUE TO BE INCREASED BY MORE~~

~~THAN PRICES AND DON'T BELIEVE ANYONE~~

~~WHO TELLS YOU OTHERWISE.~~

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~~WHEN IT GOES UP NEXT MONTH IT WILL~~ *know*
~~(CHECK REACH THE HIGHEST LEVEL EVER~~ *more*
~~IN TERMS OF WHAT IT WILL BUY).~~ *that was*
before

~~TELL THAT ON THE DOORSTEP TOO.~~
~~AND WHILE YOUR ABOUT IT, REMIND THE~~
~~PEOPLE HOW UTTERLY DEVASTATING IS~~
~~THE EFFECT OF INFLATION ON THE LIFE-~~
~~TIME SAVINGS OF THE ELDERLY.~~

This is a remarkable record of which every
~~THESE ACHIEVEMENTS ARE STAGGERING.~~ *Convinced and*
Proud.

~~BUT I WANT TO LOOK FORWARD AND~~

~~SO DO YOU.~~

~~BUT THERE IS STILL SO MUCH UNFINISHED~~
~~BUSINESS.~~

But there is ^{much} more to do.

~~I WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING~~

~~ABOUT THE THINGS WHICH ARE A WORRY~~

~~TO YOU AND TO ALL OF US.~~

MR. PRESIDENT, I AM ONLY TOO PAINFULLY AWARE OF THE

A. D. H. Robertson

PROBLEM OF UNEMPLOYMENT - WHICH AFFECTS

which affects

NOT ONLY BRITAIN BUT THE WHOLE OF EUROPE..

~~THERE IS NO PROBLEM WHICH OCCUPIES SO~~

But that there nothing ~~is~~ to relieve the anxiety

~~MUCH OF MY TIME.~~

of people who if someone who can't find a job.

~~SCARCELY A DAY PASSES WITHOUT THE~~

A. D. H. Robertson

~~GOVERNMENT LOOKING AT NEW WAYS OF SPEEDING~~

Of course people say I surely something more can be done

~~THIS JOB CREATION.~~

BUT A MORE CONTROLLED ECONOMY, OR A

SPENDTHRIFT ONE, OR AN INFLATIONARY ONE

OR OVERMANNED INDUSTRIES FULL OF

RESTRICTIVE PRACTICES - ALL THESE WOULD

HAVE MADE THIS GRIEVOUS SITUATION WORSE,

NOT BETTER.

FOR THE NUMBER OF JOBS IS FOUNDED
ON THE COMPETITIVENESS OF BRITISH
INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE.

WE ARE FREQUENTLY TOLD BY POLITICIANS AND POLLSTERS

THAT PEOPLE WOULD PREFER MORE INFLATION
AND LESS UNEMPLOYMENT.

BUT MR. PRESIDENT, INFLATION AND
UNEMPLOYMENT ARE NOT ALTERNATIVE CHOICES:

MORE INFLATION WOULD ONLY PRODUCE A
TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN UNEMPLOYMENT

BEFORE BOTH TOOK OFF AGAIN.

THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ATTEMPTS BY GOVERNMENTS -
THE LATEST IN 1973 AND 1978 - TO RISK A
RISE IN INFLATION IN THE HOPE OF REDUCING
UNEMPLOYMENT.
ALL ENDED WITH WORSE INFLATION AND
WORSE UNEMPLOYMENT.

HONEST MONEY, LESS REGULATION, MORE ENTERPRISE:

THESE WERE THE PLANKS ON WHICH WE WERE
ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED BECAUSE THEY
OFFERED THE BEST HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

AND IN THE LAST TWO YEARS SOME 650,000 ADDITIONAL JOBS
HAVE BEEN CREATED, MORE THAN IN ALL THE REST
OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

PROGRESS IS ALWAYS UNEVEN.

THE VERY CHANGES IN TECHNOLOGY WHICH

HAVE BROUGHT SUCH MATERIAL BLESSINGS HAVE

INEVITABLY DAMAGED OLDER INDUSTRIES.

AS BEFORE IN OUR HISTORY, SOME COMMUNITIES

HAVE BEEN LEFT TEMPORARILY STRANDED AS

THE TIDE OF PROSPERITY HAS MOVED

ELSEWHERE.

WE ARE ENCOURAGING THEM TO ADAPT TO NEW

OPPORTUNITIES.

WE ARE RETRAINING THOSE WHO NEED NEW

JOBS.

AND ABOVE ALL WE ARE TRAINING OUR

YOUNG PEOPLE.

ANYONE UNDER EIGHTEEN CAN STAY AT SCHOOL, HAVE A

JOB OR HAVE A TRAINING PLACE.

OUR YOUTH TRAINING SCHEME IS AN OUTSTANDING

ONE, A MONUMENT TO THE COMMITMENT OF THE

WHOLE COUNTRY TO GIVING EVERY SCHOOL-

LEAVER A GOOD START.

I HAVE SEEN IT AT WORK IN GLASGOW, CHESTER,

WREXHAM, SURREY AND CORNWALL.

YOUNG PEOPLE, WORKING HARD, MOST OF THEM

TAKEN ON BY THE EMPLOYER WHO HAS TRAINED

THEM.

THAT'S JUST A PART OF WHAT WE ARE DOING AS DAVID

YOUNG HAS TOLD YOU.

AND WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE

CO-OPERATION OF INDUSTRY.

BUT COMPANIES CAN GO FURTHER.

I URGE EVERYONE TO FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE

OF BASIL FELDMAN AND FIRMS LIKE

MARKS AND SPENCER; TO CARRY OUT A

RIGOROUS EXAMINATION OF EVERYTHING THEY

BUY TO SEE IF IT COULD BE "BETTER MADE

IN BRITAIN".

THE BATTLE TO CREATE JOBS, THE BATTLE AGAINST
INFLATION, THE BATTLE TO KEEP DOWN
BORROWING, THE BATTLE FOR INCENTIVES
AND AGAINST RED TAPE, IS UNREMITTING
AND CONTINUOUS.

THIS GOVERNMENT WILL NEVER LET UP ON THEM.

AND ON SOCIAL SECURITY, AS NORMAN FOWLER HAS TOLD YOU

THE CONCLUSIONS FROM THE SOCIAL SECURITY
REVIEW WILL BE PUBLISHED AS A WHITE PAPER
SHORTLY.

BEING CONSERVATIVES, WE WANT TO ENSURE THEY
MONEY IS THERE TO HONOUR OUR PROMISES AND TO
STRENGTHEN THE INCENTIVES TO SELF-RELIANCE.
BEING CONSERVATIVES, WE MUST BE FAIR BETWEEN
THE WORKING PEOPLE WHO PROVIDE THE MONEY
FOR SOCIAL SECURITY AND THOSE BENEFIT FROM
IT.

AND WE HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT HIGHER TAX HITS
THE LOWEST PAID HARDEST.

IT WOULD BE DISHONEST TO PRETEND THAT THERE IS NOT
A PROBLEM; EVEN MORE DISHONEST TO RECOGNISE
THERE IS ONE AND THEN TO RUN AWAY FROM IT.

WE WISH TO SEE MORE AND MORE PEOPLE IN ADDITION TO
THEIR BASIC STATE PENSION BUILDING UP
THEIR OWN OCCUPATIONAL OR PERSONAL PENSIONS,
SECURELY BASED ON THEIR OWN SAVINGS,
TO GIVE THEM EXTRA INCOME IN RETIREMENT.

SECURITY AND A BIT OF INDEPENDENCE - THAT'S WHAT YOU
WANT IN RETIREMENT.

AND WE'RE ALSO PARTICULARLY CONCERNED TO END THE
INJUSTICE OF A SYSTEM THAT LEAVES TOO
MANY PEOPLE WORSE OFF WITH A JOB THAN
WITHOUT ONE.

YOU'VE PROBABLY SEEN RECENTLY IN THE
PAPERS CASES WHERE PEOPLE PREFERRED
REDUNDANCY TO KEEPING THEIR JOBS WITHOUT
A PAY INCREASE.

THIS MAKES NO SENSE EITHER FOR THE
INDIVIDUAL, HIS FAMILY AND THE COUNTRY.

RATES

EDUCATION

to

THE GOVERNMENT SHARES THE DEEP CONCERN OF PARENTS

ABOUT THE EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN.

A GOOD EDUCATION IS SO FUNDAMENTAL TO

ALL OUR HOPES AND AMBITIONS FOR THEM.

THE BASIC TEACHING YOU RECEIVE IN

SCHOOL CAN INFLUENCE THE REST OF YOUR LIFE

AND SHAPE YOUR WHOLE FUTURE.

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OF COURSE, MONEY MATTERS.

BUT IT'S NOT ONLY A MATTER OF MONEY.

TODAY, MORE MONEY IS BEING SPENT PER

PUPIL THAN EVER BEFORE.

THERE ARE MORE TEACHERS PROPORTIONATE

TO PUPILS THAN EVER BEFORE.

THEIR TRAINING IS BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE.

But that hasn't solved all the ^{difficult} ~~problems~~
The Government has spent - just
£1,200.

We are all worried about the teacher's health and in effect on the children.
~~THE PRESENT POSITION WITH TEACHERS CAUSES US GREAT~~

~~ANXIETY.~~

THE BURDEN ON HEADS AND DEPUTY HEADS IS ENORMOUS AND WE ARE VERY MUCH AWARE OF THE STRAINS ON THEM, ~~and so~~

THEY AND WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE MORALE OF THEIR STAFF.

AND

~~SO~~ ^{*m*} ^{*often*} OFTEN THERE HAVE BEEN DIFFERENCES ABOUT A ~~PRECISELY~~ WHAT A TEACHER IS EXPECTED TO DO.

FOR EXAMPLE, ABOUT ~~SUPERVISION~~ ^{*direct*} OF SCHOOL MEALS, SEEING PARENTS, ^{*and in*} AND OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

SO IT SEEMS RIGHT TO SPELL OUT THESE DUTIES AND AGREE THEM WITH THE TEACHERS.

AND AS ABOVE ~~ALL~~ WE WANT TO RAISE STANDARDS IN EDUCATION. IT IS ~~SURELY~~ RIGHT TO INTRODUCE A SYSTEM WHICH WILL PAY BETTER TEACHERS MORE..

ans?

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~~ON THAT UNDERSTANDING~~, £1,250 MILLION OF YOUR MONEY
HAS BEEN PLEDGED IN ^{entry} PAY FOR TEACHERS AND
ABOVE THE ANNUAL INCREASES.

THAT WOULD MEAN PAY SCALES IN NOVEMBER
NEXT YEAR RUNNING FROM £7,500 FOR A NEW
GRADUATE TO MORE THAN £24,000 FOR THE HEAD
OF A BIG SECONDARY SCHOOL, *with much better*

promotion opportunities in between

~~I NOTICE IN PASSING THAT THE LABOUR OPPOSITION REGARDS
£20,000 A YEAR AS THEIR DEFINITION OF
THE RICH - THERE TO BE SOAKED.~~

~~I DO NOT AGREE AND I DO NOT SUPPOSE THOSE
HEAD TEACHERS DO EITHER.~~

BUT I MOST EARNESTLY HOPE THAT THIS STRIKE WILL SOON
BE SETTLED.

FOR TEACHERS SHOULD LEAD BY EXAMPLE.

THIS IS A BAD ONE.

WHILE PARENTS IN MANY OF OUR SCHOOLS ARE WELL CONTENT
WITH THE EDUCATION THEIR CHILDREN ARE RECEIVING
THE STORY FOR SOME, ESPECIALLY IN THE INNER
CITY AREAS, IS VERY DIFFERENT.
POOR EXAMINATION RESULTS;
THE ABSENCE OF GOOD DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIOUR;
THE UNHAPPINESS WHICH QUIET AND SENSITIVE
CHILDREN SUFFER;
POLITICAL INDOCTRINATION IN OUR SCHOOLS;
AND THE ATTEMPTS BY SOME LOCAL EDUCATION

AUTHORITIES TO CONTROL CURRICULUM AND USE
IT FOR POLITICAL ENDS.

NO WONDER PARENTS ARE WORRIED.

AND SO ARE A LOT OF THE TEACHERS - ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO
HAVE TO DEAL WITH DISRUPTIVE PUPILS MAKING
THEIR TASK DIFFICULT AND EXHAUSTING.

MOREOVER, WHEN THEY TAKE DISCIPLINARY
MEASURES THEY DO NOT ALWAYS RECEIVE THE
BACKING FROM THE LOCAL AUTHORITY WHICH THEY

~~SHOULD HAVE.~~ *are entitled to expect*

SOME HEAD TEACHERS, TEACHERS AND PARENTS ARE SPEAKING OUT

- THOSE WHO BELIEVE AS WE DO THAT THE SCHOOLS

OF THIS COUNTRY ARE NOT FOR POLITICAL

INDOCTRINATION.

^{has}
~~THEY~~ ARE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING.

all that is back in ~~the~~ our
best instruction
and what is needed for the
world of work.

~~What the center that we come~~

~~You expressed - do about us~~

I doubt or had you pulled
no matter - I think you returned
a little more by help the center
over there.

In that case I understand what
I have found by to deal with this

LABOUR POLICIES AND THE ALLIANCE

his Party Conference

MR PRESIDENT, LAST WEEK AT BOURNEMOUTH, THE LABOUR

LEADER GAVE WHAT WE WERE TOLD WAS A
CLARION CALL TO MODERATION IN THE LABOUR
PARTY.

IT WAS, ANNOUNCED LABOUR'S DEPUTY LEADER -
NOW THERE IS AN UNBIASED OBSERVER - A
TURNING POINT IN HISTORY.

Burr

"BY THEIR FRUITS, YE SHALL KNOW THEM".

SO NEVER MIND THE PR, LET US LOOK AT THE
POLICY.

LAST WEEK AT BOURNEMOUTH THE LABOUR PARTY VOTED:

— voted to TO SCRAP THE LAWS WHICH GIVE UNION
members
MEMBERS A VOICE ~~IN THE RUNNING OF THEIR~~

and *hard trade*

~~UNION AND TO RESTORE~~ TO THOSE BARONS

OF THE BLOCK VOTE, ~~THE UNION LEADERS,~~

THEIR FORMER FEUDAL POWERS.

~~THEY VOTED TO GIVE THEM BACK THE POWER~~

~~TO CALL STRIKES WITHOUT A BALLOT.~~

~~THEY~~ *V*OTED TO GIVE UP THE BRITISH
INDEPENDENT NUCLEAR DETERRENT FOR
NOTHING IN RETURN.

~~THEY~~ *V*OTED TO TAKE POLITICAL CONTROL
OVER THE OPERATIONS OF THE POLICE.

~~THEY~~ [✓] VOTED TO INDEMNIFY COUNCILS AND
TRADE UNIONS WHO ^{chose} ~~FREQUENTLY~~ CHOSE TO
BREAK THE LAW FOR POLITICAL ENDS.

ANYTHING ELSE?

I HAVE HARDLY STARTED.

HERE ARE SOME LABOUR POLICIES FOR THE
ELECTION IN TWO TO THREE YEARS' TIME.

^{would}
- THEY ~~WILL~~ NATIONALISE AND RENATIONALISE
OUR INDUSTRY WITH SCANT REGARD FOR
THE NEWLY ACQUIRED SHARES OF EMPLOYEES.

^{would}
- THERE ~~WILL~~ BE NO AUTOMATIC RIGHT TO BUY
YOUR OWN COUNCIL HOUSE. ^{Decisions}

* DECISIONS WOULD BE LEFT TO LABOUR
COUNCILS LIKE SHEFFIELD, HACKNEY AND CAMDEN.

- ^{would} THEY WANT TO HIJACK AND DIRECT YOUR ^{the}
PENSION AND INSURANCE FUND MONEY!
THAT ^{of some} AFFECTS ABOUT 12 MILLION PEOPLE.
INVESTMENT ^{would} WILL NOT BE FOR THE GREATEST ^R
BENEFIT OF THE PENSIONER BUT FOR THE
GREATEST ^R BENEFIT OF SOCIALISM.

- ^{would} INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS WILL GO, AND GO
QUICKLY.

would
- ~~THEY WILL REPATRIATE CAPITAL FROM
OVERSEAS - LEADING TO HEAVY LOSS OF
OVERSEAS INCOME NOW AND THE DETERIORATION
OF OUR OVERSEAS NEST EGG.~~

would
- ~~THERE WILL BE THE USUAL MISH MASH OF~~ *And would have to say*
HIGHER TAXES AND HIGHER BORROWING.

↑ "TO BORROW AND TO BORROW AND TO BORROW" IS NOT

MACBETH WITH A HEAVY COLD.

IT IS LABOUR PARTY POLICY.

BUT MOST PEOPLE DO NOT WANT TO MORTGAGE

THE FUTURE AND LEAVE THEIR CHILDREN

TO PICK UP THE BILL.

Oh President

~~SO~~ LABOUR'S BANNER READS "BACK!"

BACK TO A HIGH TAX SOCIETY.

BACK TO THE DAYS OF INFLATION BY SOCIAL
CONTRACT, WHEN ~~MONEY HALVED ITS VALUE~~
~~EVERY FOUR TO FIVE YEARS.~~

BACK TO RULE BY CONGRESS HOUSE WHEN THE LABOUR
PARTY WAS A WHOLLY-OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF
THE UNIONS.

~~BACK TO THE DAYS WHEN ^{*the unions*} THEY HAD MORE POWER AND
THE PEOPLE LESS.~~

~~BACK, BACK, BACK WILL BE THE ORDER OF THE DAY~~

~~UNDER LABOUR.~~

~~AND IT WILL BE AN ORDER.~~

*Put it down
but it would be*

~~IF FACT THEY ARE NOT EVEN WAITING FOR OFFICE.~~

to day
~~YOU CAN SEE SOCIALISM IN ACATION ALREADY~~ *to day*

~~IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF LOCAL~~

~~GOVERNMENT - LIVERPOOL, LAMBETH AND~~

~~HARINGEY.~~ *others*

A

the party
MR PRESIDENT, LABOUR *FRACTIONS* IS TWO DIFFERENT PARTIES IN

A STATE OF CIVIL WAR; WITH THE LEFT

STEADILY GAINING.

es
AS THE OLD-STAGES RETIRE OR ARE FORCED

OUT, THEY ARE REPLACED BY THE NEW

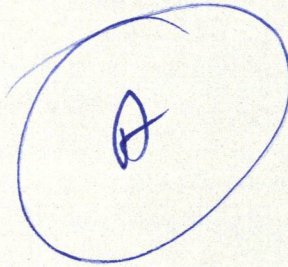
MILITANT LEFT.

~~who could have~~

~~to have a copy of~~

~~the~~

In text



TOTTENHAM

IN THESE VERY ISLANDS ARE THOSE WHO WOULD HAVE
BRITAIN A CARBON COPY OF EASTERN EUROPE.

THE OLD LABOUR PARTY ALWAYS STOOD FOR

~~EUROPE.~~ PROSPERITY.

BUT THERE IS A GREAT STRUGGLE BETWEEN BEING
FOUGHT OUT WITHIN IT, BETWEEN THE RULE
OF LAW AND THE RULE OF INTIMIDATION.

THIS IS NOT A BATTLE WHICH CAN BE WON BY BRAVE
WORDS AND RITUAL DISCLAIMERS.

IF THE LABOUR LEADERSHIP IS GENUINELY
AGAINST THOSE PEOPLE, WHY DON'T THEY
EXPEL THEM?

ISN'T THE REAL REASON THAT THEY ARE A

*The militant
left will not
be ~~intimidated~~ by
these words ritual
disclaimers.*

BIGGER AND BIGGER PART OF THE LABOUR
PARTY?

AND THAT THE PRESENT LEADERSHIP ^{can't do} NEEDS THEM IF
^{without them..} ~~THEY ARE TO HAVE THE REMOTEST CHANCE OF~~
~~GETTING A PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY?~~

THE ALLIANCE

AND AS FOR THE SDP.

WE HEAR MUCH FROM THEM ABOUT QUESTIONS
OF PRINCIPLE.

BUT THERE IS ONE QUESTION ^{OF PRINCIPLES} WHICH THE
COUNTRY MIGHT ASK ~~ITSELF~~:

WHICH OF THEIR MPs WOULD HAVE LEFT
THE LABOUR PARTY IF IT HAD WON THE 1979
ELECTION?

I'LL TELL YOU THE ANSWER:

THEY WOULD STILL BE ROUND THE CABINET
TABLE PROCLAIMING POLICIES THEY PURPORT

^{they} CLAIM
TO DESPISE.

WE ARE THE ONLY PARTY YOU CAN ALWAYS

RELY ON:

- TO STAND UP FOR THE LAW
- TO STAND UP FOR ORDER
- TO STAND UP FOR SECURITY.

WHERE THE SO-CALLED ALLIANCE STAND, WHO CAN TELL?

DID WE SEE THEM REAFFIRM ONE-SIDED
DISARMAMENT?

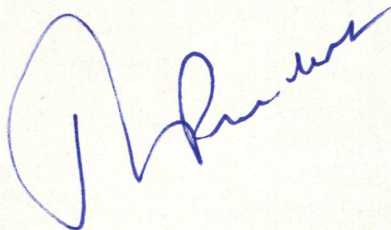
OR DID THIS YEAR THEY DECIDE TO KEEP A
FEW MISSILES?

OR IS IT ONLY THE ONES THAT ARE OUT OF
DATE THEY WOULD KEEP?

OR IS IT A CASE OF DEFENDING ALL OF THE

PEOPLE SOME OF THE TIME OR SOME OF THE
PEOPLE ALL OF THE TIME?

IT IS ALL VERY CONFUSING.



~~LIKE THEIR ATTEMPT TO DECIDE WHO~~
~~CONTESTS WHICH CONSTITUENCY.~~

AS THE TWO DAVIDS TRY TO GET TO ^{sort it out} ~~THE BOTTOM OF~~

IT IN SECRET SESSION - THEIR CLOSING
WORDS MUST HAVE GONE SOMETHING LIKE

THIS: >

"AND WHEN SHALL WE TWO MEET AGAIN.

^{on}
~~AT~~ PLYMOUTH HOE OR SCOTTISH PLAIN?

WHEN THE ARGY-BARGY'S THROUGH

WHEN WE'VE SETTLED WHO FIGHTS WHO.

THAT CAN TAKE A YEAR OR TWO.

WHERE THE PLACE?

UPON THE HEATH.

THERE TO MEET WITH ALAN BEITH.

I COME, THIRD DAVID!

PENHALIGON CALLS!

INCIDENTALLY, THIRD DAVID - THAT IS THE LIBERAL'S

ECONOMIC SPOKESMAN, MR PENHALIGON - IS

A REMARKABLE PERCIPIENT FELLOW.

LAST MONTH ON RADIO CORNWALL HE SAID:

"THE MOST LIKELY OUTCOME OF THE NEXT

ELECTION IS, I HAVE TO ADMIT, THAT

MRS THATCHER GETS RE-ELECTED."

A DANIEL COME TO JUDGEMENT!

YEA, A DANIEL!

O, WISE YOUNG JUDGE, HOW I DO HONOUR

THEE.

LAW AND ORDER

Scamit at home

ALL PEOPLE ARE RIGHTLY CONCERNED ABOUT VIOLENCE IN
THE STREETS.

WE UTTERLY CONDEMN ANYONE AND EVERYONE
WHO TAKES PART IN RIOTS IN BRITAIN,
WHOEVER THESE PEOPLE ARE WHO RIOT,
BURN AND MURDER; WHOEVER THEY ARE
ORGANISED BY, THERE IS NO EXCUSE, NO
JUSTIFICATION WHATSOEVER, FOR SUCH CRIME
AND VANDALISM ~~IN THIS COUNTRY.~~

Those who TAKING TO THE STREETS ON THE FIRST AVAILABLE
LOP PRETEXT, TO FIRE AND PLUNDER, ~~IS THE~~

~~DOCTRINE OF ANARCHY AND REVOLUTION.~~

~~ANYONE WHO PARTICIPATES IN LOOTING, ARSON,~~

~~ROBBERIES OR RAPE MUST EXPECT TO FACE~~

and will be subject to

THE FULL RIGOURS OF THE CRIMINAL LAW.

IN TOTTENHAM - HANDSWORTH

BRICKS AND PETROL BOMBS APPARENTLY READILY TO HAND

ARE NO MORE ACCEPTABLE AS ~~A FORM OF~~

~~PROTEST~~ IN TOTTENHAM AND HANDSWORTH

THAN THEY WERE ON LAST YEAR'S PICKET

LINES.

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ONE OF THE DELEGATES TO THE LABOUR PARTY CONFERENCE WAS

LOUDLY APPLAUDED WHEN HE CALLED THE

POLICE "THE ENEMY".

"ENEMIES," MR PRESIDENT?

THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE

BRITISH PEOPLE REGARD THE POLICE AS

~~THEIR~~ FRIENDS.

*Deeply Appreciative for their COURAGE
and that of their families*

IT ISN'T THE POLICE WHO CREATE THREATS TO PUBLIC

ORDER.

ALL TOO OFTEN THEY ARE THE VICTIMS, *as we
saw so tragically in BOMBING.*

NOR IS IT SOCIAL CONDITIONS THAT

GENERATE VIOLENCE.

YES, UNEMPLOYMENT BREEDS FRUSTRATION,

BUT IT'S AN INSULT TO THE UNEMPLOYED TO

SUGGEST THAT ^{*Just because*} A MAN WHO DOESN'T HAVE A

^{*he is*} JOB IS ~~MORE~~ LIKELY TO BREAK THE LAW.

JUST AS IT IS AN INSULT TO ALLEGE
THAT MEN AND WOMEN WHO LIVE IN DIFFICULT
CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE A PECULIAR PROPENSITY
FOR VIOLENCE.

IN THE 1930s, WHEN UNEMPLOYMENT WAS PROPORTIONATELY
HIGHER, AND VIRTUALLY UNRELIEVED BY
BENEFITS, CRIME LEVELS WERE NOT HIGHER,
THEY WERE LOWER.

IN PARTS OF THE WORLD WHERE THE STANDARD OF LIVING
IS HIGH;

~~THE ENVIRONMENT IS ATTRACTIVE;~~

~~JOB~~ JOBS ARE RELATIVELY PLENTIFUL - ~~CALIFORNIA~~

~~FOR EXAMPLE,~~ - CRIME IS WORSE THAN ~~HERE~~.
in Britain

IN A FREE COUNTRY EVERYONE HAS TO CHOOSE.

AND THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF OUR
FELLOW CITIZENS - BLACK ^{or} ~~AND~~ WHITE, IN OR
OUT OF WORK, LIVING IN THE SUBURBS OR
CITY CENTRES - FREELY MAKE THEIR CHOISE.
THEY RESPECT THE LAW;
AND THEY WILL HAVE NO TRUCK WITH CRIME
MASQUERADING AS SOCIAL PROTEST."

MR PRESIDENT, ~~WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE SOFT ABOUT THIS.~~

THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE STEADFASTLY
TO BACK THE POLICE.

IF THEY NEED MORE MEN, MORE EQUIPMENT, DIFFERENT
EQUIPMENT, THEY SHALL HAVE THEM.
WE DON'T ECONOMISE ON PROTECTING
~~HUMAN~~ HUMAN LIFE AND PROPERTY.

~~WE SHALL ALSO ^EBE INTRODUCING NEW LAWS TO TACKLE PUBLIC
DISORDER JUST AS WE DID LAST SESSION
TO TACKLE DRUNKENNESS AND HOOLIGANISM IN
AND AROUND OUR FOOTBALL GROUNDS.~~

~~LET ME MAKE IT PLACE.~~

and we want

~~WE SHALL NOT ALLOW POLITICIANS, NATIONAL
OR LOCAL, ^{who will} TO INTERFERE IN THE OPERATIONAL
INDEPENDENCE OF THE POLICE.~~

THERE IS NO PLACE FOR POLITICS IN POLICING."

THAT IS WHY I DEPLORED LABOUR'S CONFERENCE DECISION
TO PLACE THE POLICE UNDER THE CONTROL
OF LOCAL POLITICAL AUTHORITIES.

I BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL COME TO REGRET IT.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAW MUST BE
STRICTLY IMPARTIAL.

minutes
OUR MINDS AT THIS MEETING HAVE NATURALLY CENTRED ON
THE RIOTS.

BUT MOST OF US WILL FEEL THAT SOME OF THE
RECENT CASES OF CRUELTY AND EVEN MURDER
OF CHILDREN HAVE PROFOUNDLY SHOCKED AND
HAUNTED US.

*But our concern about violence
The President goes far beyond the usual*

AND WE ARE APPALLED TOO BY THE CALLOUSNESS
F THE CRIMINAL TOWARDS THE ELDERLY AND
DEEPLY CONCERNED BY THE INCREASE IN
DRUG-TAKING AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE.

A CHILD ABUSED, PERHAPS DESTROYED, WITHIN HER HOME

CANNOT BEGIN TO KNOW WHERE, IF ANYWHERE,
TO LOOK FOR SAFETY.

AN ELDERLY COUPLE, NERVOUS TO STEP
OUTSIDE THEIR HOME SHOULD NOT HAVE TO LOOK
ABOUT THEM IN FEAR.

A TEENAGER WHO HAS SLID TOWARDS DRUGS MAY
NO LONGER BE ABLE TO HELP HIMSELF.

~~80~~ WHO IS TO ANSWER THE CHILD CRYING FOR HELP?

WHO IS TO PROTECT THE ELDERLY COUPLE?

WHO CAN WIN BACK THE DRUG-DEPENDENT YOUTH?

POLICE, SOCIAL WORKERS, THE VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

ALL MUST, AND DO, RESPOND.

BUT THAT IS NOT ENOUGH.

WE ARE ALL, EVERY ONE OF US, THE NEIGHBOURS

OF THAT CHILD, THAT ELDERLY COUPLE,

THAT YOUTH.


UPHOLDING THE LAW CANNOT BE LEFT TO THE

POLICE AND COURTS ALONE."

WE ARE ALL INVOLVED.

WE CANNOT PASS BY ON THE OTHER

SIDE.



~~MR. PRESIDENT,~~ MR. PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT APART, THE STRENGTHS OF

A CIVILISED NATION DEPEND UPON THE

NATURAL AUTHORITY OF THE FAMILY, THE SCHOOL,

THE CHURCH AND OUR GREAT INSTITUTES^{NS}.

IT IS WHEN THAT AUTHORITY WEAKENS - AND IT HAS

~~WEAKENED~~ - THAT NATIONS TURN TO THE POWER OF

THE STATE.

~~AND WHEN ^{USE} POWER OF THE STATE INCREASES AND THE DIGNITY
OF THE INDIVIDUAL DECLINES.~~

OUR NATIONAL CHARACTER AND GREATNESS (WHICH SO MANY TODAY

INCLINE TO QUESTION) WAS NOT FOUNDED ON ALL

EMBRACING POWER OF THE GOVERNMENT.

IT IS NOT FOUNDED ON MATERIAL WORTH.

low
~~IT WAS FOUNDED ON THE FREEDOM , ORDERED~~

FREEDOM, WITHIN THE LAW.

OUR PURPOSE AS CONSERVATIVES IS TO RESTORE A SOCIETY

THAT ENLARGES FREEDOM FOR INDIVIDUALS AND

FAMILIES TO LIVE THEIR OWN LIVES AND SHAPE

THEIR OWN DESTINIES.

WE WANT STILL MORE PEOPLE TO GROW IN THE

INDEPENDENCE THAT COMES FROM OWNING THEIR

HOMES AND BUILDING UP PRIVATE SAVINGS,

INVESTMENTS AND PENSIONS.

THESE ARE NOT JUST ECONOMIC POLICIES -

THESE ARE THE OUTWARD AND VISIBLE SIGNS OF

ONE OF THE DEEPEST HUMAN FEELINGS.

TO PROVIDE A SECURE FUTURE FOR THE FAMILY
~~TO RISE TO THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LOOKING~~
AFTER OUR OWN CHILDREN AND - WHEN WE NO
LONGER NEED OUR OWN HOME AND SAVINGS - TO
PASS ON THE FRUITS OF OUR WORK TO OUR
CHILDREN'S CHILDREN.

FOR WE ARE MORE THAN A ONE GENERATION SOCIETY.
AS WE HAVE BENEFITED FROM THE PAST SO WE
MUST ENDOW THE FUTURE.

DENATIONALISATION, GOING FOR MUCH MORE FREE ENTERPRISE,
ENCOURAGING SMALL AND FAMILY BUSINESSES.
THESE ARE NOT JUST GOOD INDUSTRIAL POLICIES.

THEY ARE THE MEANS WHEREBY TALENT,
INVENTIVENESS, DRIVE AND FLAIR MAY BE
EXPRESSED: THEY ARE THE WAY OUR FUTURE
CAN THEN BE SHAPED BY MILLIONS OF
INDIVIDUAL CONSUMERS CHOSING WHAT THEY WANT
FOR THEIR HOMES, THEIR INCREASING LEISURE,
THEIR HOBBIES AND HOLIDAYS.

SECRET BALLOTS ARE MORE THAN PROCEDURAL DEVICES -
THEY ARE THE WAY IN WHICH THE MAJORITY OF
HARD WORKING PEOPLE CAN HAVE A CHANCE TO
EXERCISE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND TO
DECIDE THEIR OWN FUTURE.

CUTTING INCOME TAX ON INCOMES AND SAVINGS IS MORE
THAN A BUDGETARY POLICY.

IT ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO LOOK TO PERSONAL
ENDEAVOUR AND SELF-RELIANCE.

IT ENABLES THEM TO BE GENEROUS IN GIVING
TO THE CAUSES THEY BELIEVE IN.

AND ALL THESE THINGS RESTORE POWER TO THE PEOPLE:
SPREAD OWNERSHIP, INCREASE INDEPENDENCE,
AND ENLARGE FREEDOM.

IT'S ALL PART OF A PATTERN.

FREEDOM IS NO MORE A DOGMA THAN FRESH AIR
AND SUNSHINE.

FREEDOM IS THE NECESSARY CONDITION FOR ALL MORAL
AND MATERIAL GROWTH.

AND AS WE LOOK TOWARDS THE 1990s, LET US ~~SET~~ OUR

set on SIGHTS ^{upon} TOWARDS A BRITAIN WHERE:

- THREE OUT OF FOUR FAMILIES OWN THEIR OWN HOME.
- OWNING SHARES IS AS COMMON AS OWNING A CAR.
- AND WHERE FAMILIES HAVE A DEGREE OF INDEPENDENCE THEIR FOREFATHERS COULD ONLY DREAM ABOUT.

A BRITAIN WHERE:

- ~~NATIONALISED~~ INDUSTRIES LIKE THE DINOSAURS ARE A DYING BREED.
- AND WHERE INSTEAD, THERE IS A RESURGENCE OF ENTERPRISE ^{which is} AND CAPITALISM, THE BEDROCK OF PROSPERITY, *the source of jobs*

A BRITAIN WHERE:

- OUR RECORD HOSPITAL-BUILDING PROGRAMME
PROVIDES FOR OUR PEOPLE A STANDARD OF
HEALTH CARE ^{value} ~~FAR HIGHER~~ ^{value} THAN ANYTHING WE
HAVE EVER KNOWN.

A BRITAIN WHERE:

- SAVINGS KEEP THEIR VALUE.
- PEOPLE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR
RETIREMENT, CERTAIN OF THEIR PENSION, CONFIDENT
OF ITS BUYING POWER.
- ~~LESS AND LESS OF YOUR EARNINGS ARE DOCKED BY~~
~~INCOME TAX.~~
- ~~WHERE HARD WORK IS REWARDED.~~
- WHERE SOCIAL SECURITY GOES TO THOSE WHO NEED
HELP; AND NOT TO THOSE WHO DON'T.

A BRITAIN, MR. PRESIDENT, WHERE:

- INDIVIDUAL MEN AND WOMEN, AND INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES, COUNT FOR MORE THAN THE BIG BATTALIONS.

[WE HAVE TURNED OUR BACKS ON THE DECADES OF THE SIXTIES AND SEVENTIES.

WE'VE PUT BRITAIN ON THE RIGHT TRACK; PUT POWER TO THE PEOPLE.]

LET THE LABOUR, LIBERAL AND SDP PARTIES TALK ABOUT PROBLEMS.

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY TALKS ABOUT SOLUTIONS.

THE OTHER PARTIES - THEIR LEADERS IF NOT THEIR FOLLOWERS

- MAY NOW PAY LIP-SERVICE TO SOME OF THE POLICIES.

BUT FOR THEIR OWN POLITICAL CALCULATION;

NEVER THROUGH CONVICTION.

BUT NONE OF THESE POLICIES WOULD EVER HAVE

TO COME TO PASS HAD WE NOT SET THE PACE OVER THE

LAST SIX AND A HALF YEARS.

AND WE SHALL BE SETTING THE PACE IN TEN YEARS'

TIME.