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Prime Minister

THE TIMES - WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

- I read, with disbelief, the lead story on page 1 of yesterday's Times.
- 2. Hugh Fraser, in particular, and many other backbenchers to whom I spoke yesterday, are deeply distrubed at the continuing leaks from your Cabinet. I attended a dinner of the 92 Committee last evening at which similar indignation was expressed.
- 3. Hugh Fraser is to raise the matter at the 1922 Committee this evening; it is difficult to overstate the damage which Cabinet leaks do, to Party morale and to the standing and honour of the Government.

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Thank you for having sent to me a copy of your letter o yesterday's date addressed to Peter Carrington.

I have shown your letter to the Prime Minister.

I have also reported to her on the con ersation which we had at New Palace Yard yesterday. I will seek you out, as I would like to have a chat.

Ian Gow Parliamentary Private Secretary

The Rt Hon Sir Hugh Fraser MBE MP