

Environment

Spoke to  
Lord Avon's  
office 6/12

PRIME MINISTER

In Patrick Jenkin's absence, Lord Avon telephoned me to ask for 'soundings' from here as to the suggestion that Norman St John-Stevas might be appointed as Chairman of the Royal Fine Arts Commission.

This post is, as you know, unpaid although expenses may be allowed.

The DoE are keen to make this appointment as soon as possible if you are in agreement with it. Are you content, please?

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MICHAEL ALISON  
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No - it is  
not right for  
Norman.  
Soundings have  
already been  
taken