

Memoirs



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From the Principal Private Secretary

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

LORD MOUNTBATTEN'S MEMOIRS

When you saw the Prime Minister and the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary this morning about another matter, you raised with them the question of the timing of the transmission of Lord Brabourne's Suez programme based on Lord Mountbatten's memoirs. You had earlier succeeded in persuading Lord Brabourne to postpone transmission until September, and it was agreed that you should try to put off transmission still further on the grounds that the situation in the Arab world was, if anything, even more critical than it had been when you made your original approach to Lord Brabourne last February.

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