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CABINET

COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

NOTE BY THE PRIME MINISTER

In pursuance of the Cabinet's decision of 6th April (C.M. (50) 19th Conclusions, Minute 1), I have appointed a Committee with the following terms of reference:—

- “(1) To fix limits for the total cost of the National Health Service in the financial year 1951-52 and succeeding years.
- (2) To keep under review the course of expenditure on this Service, on the basis of monthly statements by the Health Departments; and, if the cost seems likely to exceed the limits set for the current year, to devise appropriate remedies.
- (3) Generally to assist the Health Ministers in securing due economy in the administration of this Service.”

2. I shall myself preside over this Committee and the members will be—

Lord President.
Lord Privy Seal.
Minister of Health.
Secretary of State for Scotland.
Minister of State for Economic Affairs.
Minister of National Insurance.
Minister of Pensions.

Mr. A. Johnston, Cabinet Office, will act as Secretary of the Committee.

C. R. A.

10, Downing Street, S.W. 1,
21st April, 1950.

