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Dear Hilary

When we spoke in the margins of Thursday's ad hoc Ministerial, I said I would write to you about the precarious situation on CPA(S) manpower.

I know that Hilary Synott has appealed for urgent action in finding civilian staff for CPA(S). The attached list illustrates the need. It names military personnel currently on loan to the CPA in the UK area of responsibility but, as you will see, all are due to leave before the end of the year.

Many of these people are Reservists. They are particularly effective in CPA roles often by virtue of their experience in civilian life. I am content that employing them in this way – as a stopgap measure – is making best use of those skills.

But employing them in this way does divert manpower away from the security effort and when the next roulement of British troops begins there can be no guarantee that these skills will be replicated (although British forces will, of course, continue to support the CPA).

I recognise the effort that has been put into gaining crucial momentum in reconstruction and it would be disastrous if this fell away because of failure to attract people to the CPA.

Of course, the military in MND(SE) will continue to offer their full support to CPA(S). But I am clear that we now need a major effort to meet Hilary Synott's request for manpower.

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I am copying this letter to ad hoc Committee members.

The Rt Hon Adam Ingram MP

Approved by the Minister and  
signed in his absence

Hilary Benn Esq MP

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## UK MILITARY STAFF EMBEDDED IN CPA: AS AT 02 OCT 03

### REGIONAL OFFICE: CPA(S)

Ser (a)	Rank (b)	Name (c)	Appt (d)	TA/Reg (e)	End Of Tour (f)
1	Brig	Brealey	Senior Military Advisor	Reg	Nov 03
2	Maj		Finance for CPA(S)	TA	Nov 03
3	Maj		Trade and Industry	TA	Oct 03
4	Maj		HealthTeam	TA	Dec 03
5	Maj		Utilities	TA	Dec 03
6	Maj		Education	TA	Dec 03
7	Maj		Div LO to CPA	Reg	Nov 03
8	Capt		MA to Ambassador	Reg	Nov 03
9	Capt		POC for the Regions	TA	Nov 03
10	Capt		Youth and Sport	TA	Dec 03
11	Capt		Finance	TA	Nov 03
12	Capt		Media	TA	Dec 03
13	Capt		IDP/Refugeess	TA	Dec 03
14	Capt		Utilities	TA	Dec 03
15	Capt		Health Team	TA	Dec 03
16	Lt		Social Affairs	Reg	Nov 03
17	WO2		Water	TA	Dec 03
18	SSgt		Finance	TA	Oct 03
19	Sgt		Registry	Reg	Dec 03
20	LCpl		Admin NCO/Registry	TA	Dec 03
21	LCpl		Admin NCO/Registry	TA	Dec 03
22	Cpl		Finance	Reg	Nov 03
23	Sig		Secure Comms/Registry	Reg	Dec 03

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## GST AL BASRAH

Ser (a)	Rank (b)	Name (c)	Appt (d)	TA/Reg (e)	End Of Tour (f)
1	Maj		Deputy COS GST	TA	Feb 04
2	Maj		Transport and Communications	TA	Dec 03
3	Maj		Info Ops	TA	Nov 03
4	Capt		Finance	TA	Nov 03
5	Capt		Agriculture	TA	Dec 03
6	Capt		Projects	TA	Nov 03
7	Capt		Utilities - Water	TA	Nov 03
8	Lt		Education	TA	Dec 03
9	WO2		Telecommunications	TA	Dec 03
10	SSgt		Logistics Officer		Nov 03
11	Cpl		Transport	TA	Nov 03
12	LCpl		Waste Management	TA	Dec 03

## GST MAYSAN

Ser (a)	Rank (b)	Name (c)	Appt (d)	TA/Reg (e)	EOT (f)
1	Maj		COS GST	Reg	Dec 03
2	Maj		Civil Finance	TA	Dec 03
3	Capt		Judiciary/Legal	TA	Dec 03
4	Capt		Police	TA	Nov 03
5	Capt		Education	Reg	Nov 03
6	Capt		Agriculture	Reg	Nov 03
7	Lt		Health	TA	Dec 03
8	WO2		Housing /Construction/Transport	TA	Dec 03

## GST AL MUTHANNA

Ser (a)	Rank (b)	Name (c)	Appt (d)	TA/Reg (e)	EOT (f)
1	Maj		COS GST	TA	Dec 03
2	Maj		Civil Finance Officer	Reg	Oct 03
3	WO1		Facilities Manager	Reg	Oct 03

## GST DHI QAR

Ser (a)	Rank (b)	Name (c)	Appt (d)	TA/Reg (e)	EOT (f)
1	Maj		COS GST	TA	Dec 03
2	Capt		Civil Finance Officer	TA	Sep 03

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