Review of the MO9 Station in Santiago.

1. I saw the Prime Minister on concerning the review of the MO9 Station in Santiago, which I had submitted to him as my letter

2. The Prime Minister said that he had given very careful consideration to my proposals but that he felt unable to accept the recommendations that I had made. He said that he was uneasy about the MO9 operation in Chile,

that should in Chile receive any publicity as a result of these matters, then he would find it extremely difficult to justify our presence there

3. He agreed that his decision should be

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The Prime Mnister was particularly anxious that action taken in this respect should not be precipitate, and I suggested to

the same period, all MO9 equipment and records should either be destroyed or returned to Australia.

4. On the completion of this action, the MO9 staff in Chile would perform no clandestine activity,

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The Prime Minister agreed with these views.

6. I suggested to him that, in principle and subject to discussion of the details of the withdrawal of the staff with the Department, withdrawal might be affected by :-