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COAL - Margaret Thatcher's Speech

'It's a prosperous coal industry with a good future.

No Government has done more for a good coal industry than this one.

The MacGregor Plan* will give this country the best hope of a good coal industry it's ever had.

The Government should, if possible, choose the field of battle: Coal stocks should be built up in advance at power stations.

Plans should be made to import coal from non-union foreign ports.

Non-union lorry drivers should be recruited by haulage companies.

Dual coal / oil-firing generators must be installed, regardless of cost.

Cut off the money supply to the strikers and make the union finance them.

Train and equip a large mobile squad of police, ready to employ riot tactics in order to uphold the law against violent picketing'

NOTE
*Ian MacGregor 1912-1998. Scottish-American industrialist appointed by Thatcher to head the National Coal Board in 1983

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