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I wonder if I might put in your mind the need to prepare our thinking for what may be political strikes ahead. The N.A.L.G.O. leader, Drain, is threatening to call out members if the government cuts public services. These will be political strikes.

It seems to me that we should condemn them - even though we are in Opposition and even though the strikes may embarrass the government. It must be in our interest to argue against the use of the strike weapon for political purposes.

Moreover, will not such strikes allow us to raise the whole question of immunity of ~~these~~ strikes which are called for non-industrial reasons.

I wonder whether perhaps Leon could consider this?

I am only anxious that we should think our position through in advance. I am copying to Margaret.