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"Good corporate governance is essential to the UK's reputation at home and abroad; the Serious Fraud Office plays a vital part in this and should not be cast aside.

"Senior Tories are right to be alarmed at Theresa May's attempt to undermine the fight against big-ticket economic crime. She urgently needs to think again."