

*Yes, Minister... "Jobs for the Boys"*

NGO = Non-Governmental Organization, a group that does government-like functions, but is funded and staffed privately. The American Red Cross is an example of an NGO. In many third-world countries, it's considered more efficient to channel aid through an NGO than through the third-world country's inefficient and/or corrupt government.

QUANGO = Quasi-Autonomous Non-Governmental Organization, or an NGO that includes governmental elements. In short, a collaboration between the private sector and government to create yet more bureaucracy. Often an excuse to have everyone fly out to exotic destinations to spend taxpayer money at fancy conferences.

1. Why doesn't Sir Humphrey tell Hacker directly why he shouldn't mention the Solihull project?
2. How does Sir Humphrey get Sir Desmond to agree to bail out the Solihull project?
3. What events cause Hacker to suspect there's something wrong with Solihull?
4. What is Hacker's opinion of QUANGOs, and Sir Desmond in particular?
5. What causes Hacker to suddenly change his opinion of Sir Desmond? Why does Hacker think of rewarding Joe Morgan, of all people?
6. How does Hacker help Weisel overcome his opposition to QUANGO appointments?

Webb's favorite quote:

Sir Humphrey: "Bernard, Ministers should never know more than they need to know. Then they can't tell anyone. Like secret agents, they could be captured and tortured."

Bernard: "You mean by terrorists?"

Sir Humphrey: "By the BBC, Bernard."

What's your favorite quote?