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SECURITY CHIEFS: PM KEPT IN DARK BY AIDE SUE GRAY

EXCLUSIVE

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SIR KEIR STARMER is being denied vital security briefings because his chief of staff Sue Gray is blocking access to him, senior Whitehall sources have claimed to The Mail on Sunday.

They have accused Ms Gray of 'thinking she runs the country', suggesting that even Cabinet Secretary Simon Case has been forced to ask her permission to speak to the Prime Minister.

The claims come amid growing disquiet in the Government over the power wielded by Ms Gray, who enjoyed a long civil service career before joining Sir Keir's team.

A source said they had struggled to reach the Prime Minister when they needed to brief him on sensitive national security issues.

The source added: 'It has got to the point where we have said that the PM needs to be given an

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