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THE PRIME MINISTER

15 December 1986

Dear Wing Commander Marshall,

I am most grateful to you and your crew for our comfortable journey to Strasbourg, and for your skill in finding the airport in the fog! I would be most grateful if you could pass on my thanks to all concerned for the excellent service.

I understand that it was your last VIP flight as you are leaving the Squadron. I send you my best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Wing Commander L.J. Marshall, M.B.E.

OC 10 Squadron
RAF Brize Norton
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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 December 1986

Dear Senator Rudloff

I write to thank you most warmly for the magnificent flowers which you so kindly sent me. They gave very great pleasure. May I also through you thank all those who assisted with the arrangements for my visit to Strasbourg. I am very grateful for their help.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Senator Marcel Rudloff

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Mr. Marcel Rudloff

De la part et avec les
compliments du Maire de la
Ville de Strasbourg et du
Président du Conseil Général
du Bas-Rhin.



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THE PRIME MINISTER

10 December 1986

Dear Mr. McLean,

Thank you, and your wife, very much for your warm hospitality in Strasbourg. You made me feel very much at home, and coped marvellously with the invasion of No.10 staff. I really am most grateful.

With best wishes to you both.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Colin McLean, Esq., C.M.G.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

10 December 1986

Dear Monsieur Pflimlin,

I am most grateful to you for presiding so courteously and effectively over the session of the European Parliament to which I reported on the outcome of the European Council. I also very much enjoyed our talk at lunch: it is always very refreshing to hear your views and draw upon your wisdom.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Monsieur Pierre Pflimlin

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CAR PLAN

STRASBOURG - 8/9 DECEMBER 1986

OUTWARD - 8 December 1986

<u>Time</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Driver</u>
1730	Prime Minister Mr. Powell	No. 10	Wellington Barracks	Denis
1730	Mr. Ingham Mr. Alison	No. 10 No. 10	Wellington Barracks	Bob
1730	Miss Hayter	No. 10	Wellington Barracks	Paul

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1550	Prime Minister Mr. Powell	Heathrow Southside	No. 10	Denis
1550	Mr. Ingham	Heathrow Southside	No. 10	Paul
1550	Miss Hayter	Heathrow Southside	Petersfield Railway Stn.	Bob

cc Party Members
Drivers
Duty Clerk
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VISIT OF RT HON MARGARET THATCHER MP, PRIME MINISTER,
TO STRASBOURG, 8-9 DECEMBER 1986

Programme

8 December

20.30 Prime Minister and party
arrive Strasbourg Entzheim on VC 10

Met by a Vice-President of the
EP (Mrs Cassanmagnago Cerretti),
Prefect (Mr M Hocène), Mr McLean,
Mr Jones Parry, Miss Brett Rooks

20.45 To Residence. 3 rue Massenet
(tel 88.61.83.25)
Dinner with Mrs. Chalker,
Rt Hon M Alison MP, Mr C Powell
and Mr Ingham

Prime Minister + 3 (Mr Powell,
Mr Alison, Det Sup M Waller)
to stay at Residence
Others to Holiday Inn

9 December

08.30 Meeting with Mr Jones Parry and
Mr Ingham at Residence, 3 rue
Massenet

09.50 Prime Minister + 3 leave Residence for
EP Palais entrance
Met by President Pflimlin
Others from Holiday Inn

10.00 Prime Minister reports to EP Plenary
on 5/6 December European Council

10.20 Continuation of debate
approx Group leaders should speak first

11.45 Prime Minister responds to debate
approx

13.00 Meeting with Kangaroo Group PAL 6085
Vice Presidents :
Basil de Ferranti MEP (UK, EDG)
Dieter Rogalla MEP (FRG, Soc)
Karl von Wogau (FRG, PPE)
Elise Boot MEP (NL, PPE)
Gijs de Vries MEP (NL, LDR)
Christiane Scrivener MEP (Fr, LDR)
Ben Patterson MEP (UK, EDG)
Sergio Pininfarina MEP (It, LDR)
Thomas Raftery MEP (Ire, PPE)
Georgios Anastassopoulos (Gr, PPE)
Fernand Herman MEP (Belg, PPE)

13.20 Prime Minister and party depart
EP Palais entrance for lunch

13.00-14.45 Prime Minister, accompanied by Pavillon
approx Hon P Brooke and Mrs Chalker, Joséphine
gives lunch for President and Parc de
Bureau of the EP, et al l'Orangerie

15.00-15.20 Prime Minister records Channel 4 interview

15.20 Prime Minister departs for
Strasbourg Entzheim Airport

Accompanied by Mr McLean and
Miss Brett Rooks

15.15 Prime Minister and party depart
Strasbourg on VC 10
(Comms, UKDel Strasbourg, to be
notified from airport)

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DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISITS OF THE
PRIME MINISTER AND SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND
COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS; AND MINISTER OF STATE
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, STRASBOURG

1. TRAVEL DETAILS:

Prime Minister

a) The Prime Minister, Mrs Chalker and those shown at Appendix 1, will depart London Heathrow (Southside) for Strasbourg at 1800 hours on Monday 8 December.

b) They will travel in an RAF VC10, Task No. 1150.

c) Flying time London Heathrow (Southside) to Strasbourg is 1 hour 30 minutes. Passengers are asked to arrive at Southside at the times shown in Appendix III. The police gate at Southside will open at 1700 hours.

d) The Prime Minister and party (list also given at Appendix I) will return in the RAF VC10 to Southside at 1550 hours on Tuesday 9 December.

Secretary of State

e) The Secretary of State and those shown at Appendix II will depart Gatwick (North Suite) for Strasbourg at 0710 hours on Wednesday 10 December. Passengers are asked to arrive at Gatwick at the times shown in Appendix IV.

f) They will travel in an RAF HS125, Task No. 1471.

g) Flying time to Strasbourg is 1 hour 35 minutes.

h) The Secretary of State and his party (list also given at Appendix II) will travel on to Brussels direct from Strasbourg on the afternoon/evening of 10 December.

2. BOXES, BRIEFCASES AND LUGGAGE AS REQUIRED

RAF VC10

a) An FCO Security van has been reserved for the journey to Southside on 8 December. The van will leave the FCO at 1555 hours and No 10 at 1600 hours. The No 10 Duty Clerk will accompany the van.

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b) Members of the FCO party may leave luggage for the VC10 in Room 1, Downing Street West, any time up to 1530 hours.

c) Luggage, whether taken in the FCO Security van or personally, should be left unlocked for the RAF inspection at Southside. (Colour coding given in London administrative arrangements.)

RAF HS125

a) The FCO Private Office will make their own arrangements for the collection of any papers from the FCO.

b) Passengers are requested to take their own luggage required for Brussels with them in their cars. As luggage is cabin-loaded on the HS125, cases should be limited to medium sized. (Colour coding given in administrative arrangements issued for NATO Meeting.)

3. TRANSPORT TO LONDON AIRPORT (SOUTHSIDE) ON 8 DECEMBER

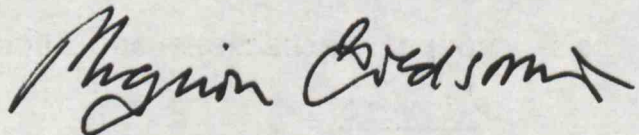
A schedule of these arrangements, including the helicopter party, is at Appendix IV.

4. TRANSPORT TO GATWICK (NORTH SUITE) ON 10 DECEMBER

Details are at Appendix V.

5. A Security van and cars as appropriate will meet the VC10 on return to Southside on 9 December.

6. Enquiries in London from 4 December may be addressed to Miss Mignon Goldsmith (Tel No: 210 6377).



P A Noble (Miss)
Conference Section
Protocol Department
210 6376

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PASSENGER LIST OF THOSE TRAVELLING BY RAF VC10 TASK NO. 1150Outward: 8 DecemberETD LHR (Southside) 1800 hours: ETA Strasbourg 2030 hours

Prime Minister	[Initial transfer to LHR by helicopter
Mr Powell	from Wellington Barracks at 1745:
Mr Ingham	
Mr Alison	Prime Minister
Miss Ithell	Mr Powell
Miss Hayter	Mr Ingham
Supt Waller	Miss Hayter
D/Chief Insp Butler	Supt Waller
	Det Chief Insp Butler]

Mrs Chalker
 Miss Goldthorpe
 Mr Wall
 Mr Robbins
 Mr Stagg
 Miss Trimm
 Mr Gair

Snacks/drinks to be served

S/Sgt Ball
 Cpl Williams
 L/Cpl Mepsted = 18

Return: 9 DecemberETD Strasbourg 1515 hours: ETA LHR (Southside) 1550 hours

As above minus

Mrs Chalker
 Miss Goldthorpe
 Mr Wall
 Mr Robbins
 Mr Stagg
 Mr Gair
 RMP
 Miss Trimm

PASSENGER LIST OF THOSE TRAVELLING BY RAF HS125
TASK NO 1471

Outward: 10 December

ETD Gatwick 0710 hours:
ETA Strasbourg 0800 hours

Secretary of State
Mr Galsworthy
Mrs Simpson
Det Supt Eames
Mr Thomas
Mr Meyer

Onward: 10 December

Standby from Strasbourg: 1615 hours

Passenger list as outward morning flight

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APPENDIX III

8 DECEMBER: RAF VC10

Vehicle	Arranged by	Passengers	Leaving from/at	To arrive at LHR (Southside) no later than (take off at 1800)
Security van	Conference Section	Miss Ithell	FCO Main Courtyard at 1555 hours No 10 at 1600 hours	1700
Own Transport	Own Arrangements	RMP	As directed	1715
Own Transport	Own Arrangements	Mr Gair	As directed	1715
GCS Car	Conference Section	Miss Trimm Mr Stagg	OAB Gold door, Horse Guards at 1615 hours <u>then</u> FCO Main Courtyard at 1630 hours	1735
GCS Car	Conference Section	Mr Wall Mr Robbins	FCO Main Courtyard at 1630 hours	1735
Own Car	Own Office	Mrs Chalker Miss Goldthorpe	As directed	1745
Own Cars	No 10	Miss Hayter Mr Alison Mr Ingham Mr Powell Detectives Prime Minister	As directed to Wellington Barracks (ETD RAF helicopter 1745 hours)	1800
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10 DECEMBER: RAF HS125

Vehicle	Arranged by	Passengers	Leaving from/at	To arrive at Gatwick (North Suite) no later than (take off at 0710)
GCS Car	Conference Section	Miss Simpson	72 Stanley Gardens Teddington at 0530 hours	0630 hours
GCS Car	Conference Section	Mr Meyer Mr Galsworthy	76 Hazelwell Road Putney, SW15 at 0530 hours then 11 Church Path Merton Park, SW19 at 0545 hours	0645 hours
GCS Car	Conference Section	Mr Thomas	Flat 1, 12 Lower Sloane Street, SW1 at 0530 hours	0645 hours
Own Car	Own Office	Secretary of State Supt Eames	As directed	0700 hours

Cars will meet the RAF HS125 party on their return from Brussels on 12 December.

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Mr K Davies

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ECD(E): Mr J Shepherd

COD: Telegram Sections

News Dept

Protocol Dept (15)

Resident Clerks

Senior Security Officer (Mr M J Harris)

RAF

RAF Northolt, Ruislip, Middx

OC OPS Wing, OC 32 Squadron

Senior Air Movements Officer

British Airports Authority

London Airport (Heathrow)

Manager, Special Facilities Unit (Mr R Baxendale)

Royal Military Police

OC London Provost Co

Department of the Environment

Government Car Service, Room C1/06, Car Bookings

2 Marsham Street, SW1 (Miss J Wilson)

Each Member of the Party

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ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISITS OF THE
PRIME MINISTER, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND
COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, STRASBOURG:
8-10 DECEMBER 1986

1. DATES

The Prime Minister will visit Strasbourg on 8/9 December;
Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP will visit Strasbourg on 10 December;
Mrs L Chalker, MP will visit Strasbourg on 8/9 and 10 December.

2. DELEGATION

This is shown at Appendix I.

3. PROGRAMME

The outline programmes as at 3 December for the Prime
Minister, Secretary of State and Mrs Chalker are given at
Appendix II.

4. TRAVEL

(See Appendix III for full travel details, including
passenger lists for RAF aircraft)

Prime Minister

Outward: 8 December: RAF VC10

ETD LHR (Southside) 1800 hours (all times local)
ETA Strasbourg-Entzheim 2030 hours

Return: 9 December: RAF VC10

ETD Strasbourg-Entzheim 1515 hours
ETA LHR (Southside) 1550 hours

Secretary of State

Outward: 10 December: RAF HS 125

ETD Gatwick (North Suite) 0710 hours
ETA Strasbourg-Entzheim 0945 hours

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Onward: 10 December: RAF HS 125

ETD Strasbourg-Entzheim 1615 hours (standby)
ETA Brussels Abelag 1715 hours approx

Mrs Chalker

Outward: 9 December: RAF VC10 (as above)

Return: 11 December: AF 1864

ETD Strasbourg 0645 hours
ETA LHR 0745 hours

5. TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

- a) All members of the party should carry a valid passport.
- b) There are no special health requirements for Strasbourg.

6. PERSONAL BAGGAGE AND LABELS

- a) Those travelling on the VC10 may use labels enclosed, colour-coded as follows:-

Residence : blue
Hotel Holiday Inn : red
Items to be cabin-loaded (ie: hand luggage) should carry a yellow label

- b) Official items, ie: briefcases, etc. should have a white label.
- c) Please see NATO administrative notes for label coding for Brussels for those travelling on from Strasbourg on the RAF HS 125.

7. INSURANCE

A note on baggage and insurance regulations is attached at Appendix IV.

8. CLIMATE

The temperatures are expected to be low: at present approx 28°F.

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9. CATERING

For those not involved in official entertainment there is a restaurant and a canteen in the European Parliament building where members of the party will be able to purchase lunch etc.

10. LIVING ACCOMMODATION

Where applicable, this is shown at Appendix I.

11. WORKING ACCOMMODATION

Residence : No 10 Private Office (evening of 8 December, morning of 9 December)

Palais de l'Europe

9 December

Room 6086: Prime Minister
Room 6085: No 10 Duty Clerk
No 10 Personal Assistant
No 10 Officials
Conference Officer

10 December

Room 6086: Secretary of State
Room 6085: FCO Private Office:
Personal Assistant
Private Secretary
Conference Officer

9 and 10 December

Room 5191: Mrs Chalker and her Private Secretary
Room 5195: Two Personal Assistants
Room 5197: FCO and UK Rep Officials
Room 2008: FCO and UK Rep Officials
Rooms 1037 : Available for Mr Ingham on 9 December and
and 1039 Mr Meyer on 10 December for additional press
briefings

UK Del Office, rue Gottfried

Rooms are available if required for Advisers.

12. OFFICE MACHINERY AND STATIONERY

Electric and electronic typewriters, access to photocopiers and common user stationery will be provided in all venues.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

a) Telegrams

i) The Communications Section in the Mission will operate throughout the visits of the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State.

ii) Telegrams should be prefixed "Following for from". Telegrams for individuals in the party will not be given any distribution without the prior consent of the addressee. Telegrams addressed "Following for Prime Minister's party" on 8/9 December or "Following for Secretary of State's party" on 10 December will be distributed to all senior members.

b) Telephones

i) The Mission switchboard will maintain cover throughout the visits.

ii) A list of useful telephone numbers is attached at Appendix V.

c) Safehand

There will be a safehand service operated by R.M. Police between the Mission and the Offices.

14. SECURITY

a) Miss Ithell will act as Special Courier for the No 10 party on the round trip on the RAF VC10.

b) Mrs Simpson will act as Special Courier for the Secretary of State's party on the RAF HS 125.

c) Boxes and briefcases containing classified material for (a) and (b) should be entered on the respective waybills. This may be arranged through COD (tel no 233 3706).

d) Members of the party travelling commercially who need to carry classified documents up to and including Secret are asked to apply for a Letter of Authority from their Head of Department or Departmental Security Officer (see Home Circular B 3285 of 20 April 1985). If documents with a higher classification are carried, the official will have to be documented as a Special Courier (COD tel no 233 3706).

e) FCO passes should not be taken overseas.

f) Passes for the European Parliament Building will be issued in Strasbourg.

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15. TRANSPORT

- a) Transport in Strasbourg will be provided by the Mission, the Council Secretariat and hiring.
- b) Details of transport in the UK for the VC10 and HS125 parties will be issued as a separate instruction. These instructions will include details of the transfer by helicopter from Wellington Barracks to LHR on 8 December of the Prime Minister and her immediate party.

16. FINANCE

a) Subsistence

Rates are as follows:-

Class A = F 466.00
Class B = F 440.00

- b) Costs for the No 10 party will be borne by the Management and Personnel Office.
- c) Costs for FCO officials will be borne under Vote A1(1)(U)(1).
- d) Costs for the FCO Conference Officer, Conference Section Personal Assistant and the Royal Military Police will be split between the MPO and the FCO as per agreement already made with MPO Finance Division. Conference Finance Section have full details of these arrangements.
- e) Those on the HS 125 on the day trip will be paid one-third of the appropriate rate.
- f) Those staying in the Residence, excluding the detectives, will be paid one-third of the appropriate rate.
- g) Members of the party staying overnight in an hotel will be on conference terms, ie: the Mission will pay the cost of the hotel suite/room including standard breakfast, service and taxes. Delegates will be given a cash sum of half the Class A rate to pay for lunch, dinner, laundry and any other personal expenses.
- h) When staying in an hotel, detectives will have their room bill paid by the Mission and debited to the Metropolitan Police. Detectives will otherwise provide their own subsistence.
- i) Costs for the COI correspondent will be debited to the COI.

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j) Common service costs, ie transport, extra office machinery/extra telephone lines, telephone calls, will be borne by the MPO. The FCO will contribute to any hire/telephone call costs for the Secretary of State's visit.

17. ADMINISTRATION

The party will be administered in Strasbourg by Miss Noble and the UK Permanent Delegation. From 4 December, enquiries at the London end will be handled by Miss Goldsmith (tel no 210 6377).

Patricia Noble

P A Noble (Miss)
Conference Section
Protocol Department
210 6376

3 December 1986

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APPENDIX I

COMPOSITION OF THE PARTY
(VISITS ON 8, 9 AND 10 DECEMBER)
(not in protocol order)

Serial No.	Name	Designation	Accommodation (where applicable)
1.	The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher FRS MP	Prime Minister	Residence (night of 8 Dec)
<u>No 10 Downing Street</u>			
2.	Mr C D Powell	Private Secretary	Residence (night of 8 Dec)
3.	Mr B Ingham	Chief Press Secretary	Holiday Inn (suite) (night of 8 Dec)
4.	Mr M Alison MP	Parliamentary Private Secretary	Holiday Inn (night of 8 Dec)
5.	Miss G Ithell	Duty Clerk	Holiday Inn (night of 8 Dec)
6.	Miss S Hayter	Secretarial Assistant	Holiday Inn (night of 8 Dec)
7.	Det Supt M Waller	Detective	Residence (night of 8 Dec)
8.	Det Chief Insp Butler	Detective	Holiday Inn (night of 8 Dec)
<u>Foreign and Commonwealth Office</u>			
9.	The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP	Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs	-
10.	Mr A C Galsworthy CMG	Private Secretary	-
11.	Mrs K F Simpson	Personal Assistant	-
12.	Mr C J R Meyer	Head of News Dept	-
13.	Det Supt A Eames	Detective	-
14.	Det Cons C Stickland	Detective	Holiday Inn (night of 9 Dec)

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15.	Mrs L Chalker MP	Minister of State	Holiday Inn (suite) (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)
16.	Miss D Goldthorpe	Assistant Private Secretary	Holiday Inn (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)
17.	Mr D M D Thomas CMG	Deputy Under-Secretary of State	-
18.	Mr R W Renwick CMG	Assistant Under- Secretary of State	Holiday Inn (night of 8 Dec)
19.	Mr S Wall LVO	Head ECD(I)	Holiday Inn (nights of 8-9 Dec)
20.	Mr C Robbins	ECD(I)	Holiday Inn (nights of 8-9 Dec)
21.	Mr R Stagg	ECD(P)	Holiday Inn (nights of 8-9 Dec)

Support Staff

22.	Miss P A Noble MBE	Conference Officer	Holiday Inn (nights 4-10 Dec)
23.	Miss S Trimm	Personal Assistant	Holiday Inn (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)
24.	S/Sgt Sue Ball	Royal Military Police	Holiday Inn (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)
25.	Cpl S Williams	Royal Military Police	Holiday Inn (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)
26.	L/Cpl R Mepsted	Royal Military Police	Holiday Inn (nights of 8, 9 and 10 Dec)

Central Office of Information

27.	Mr R Gair	Radio Technician	Holiday Inn (nights of 8&9 Dec)
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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER)
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: STRASBOURG, 8-9 DECEMBER

OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR THE PRIME MINISTER

(local times)

8 December

1800 Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10
(flying time 1 hour 30 minutes)

2030 Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport

2100 Arrive Residence

Dinner at Residence Prime Minister
Mr McLean (UK Perm Rep to
Council of Europe)
and Mrs McLean
Mr Powell, Mr Ingham, Mr Alison
Mrs Chalker, Mr Renwick,
Dr Jones Parry (Office of
the UK Perm Rep Brussels)

9 December

0930 Leave Residence

0945 Arrive Palais de l'Europe

1000 Prime Minister reports to the EP on the London
European Council (followed by debate)

1200- Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate and
1215 leave Hemicycle (Mrs Chalker will remain if
debate continues)

1215 Opportunity for the Prime Minister to meet
members of the Kangaroo Group

1230 Interview with Channel 4

1300 Luncheon given by the Prime Minister for the
President and Bureau of the EP, Members of the
Commission and others (guest list in separate
circulation)

1445 Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe

1515 Prime Minister leaves Strasbourg-Entzheim
(flying time 1 hour 30 minutes)

1550 Prime Minister arrives London Heathrow Southside

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SECRETARY OF STATE'S VISIT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT:
STRASBOURG, 10 DECEMBER

OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

(Local times)

0710	Depart Gatwick (North Suite)
0945	Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport
1015	Secretary of State arrives at Palais de l'Europe
1030	Secretary of State delivers his end-of-Presidency speech [may be briefly absent from Hemicycle during the ensuing debate]
1215	Secretary of State may wish to reply to the debate and then leave the Hemicycle (Mrs Chalker would remain if the debate continued)
1230	Possible Press Conference
1300	Secretary of State attends lunch offered by President Pflimlin
1500	Secretary of State holds EPC Colloquy
1615 (standby)	Secretary of State departs Strasbourg-Entzheim for Brussels
1715 approx	Arrive Brussels Abelag

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OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR MRS CHALKER

(local times)

8 December

- 1800 Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10 with
Prime Minister
(flying time 1 hour 30 minutes)
- 2030 Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport
- 2100 Arrive Residence. Dinner

9 December

- 0930 Depart Hotel
- 0945 Arrive Palais de l'Europe
- 1000 Accompany Prime Minister for report to the EP on
the London European Council (followed by debate)
- 1200- Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate:
1215 Mrs Chalker remains in hemicycle if debate
continues
- 1230 Prime Minister meets the Kangaroo Group
- 1300 Attend luncheon given by the Prime Minister for
the President and Bureau of the EP and senior
members of the Commission
- (1445 Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe)
- 1500- Question Time taken by Mrs Chalker
1630

10 December

- 1030 Secretary of State delivers end-of-Presidency
speech to EP (followed by debate)
- 1145 Secretary of State replies to debate
- 1200 Mrs Chalker answers questions on Turkey during
debate

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APPENDIX II (cont'd)

10 December (cont'd)

- 1300 Mrs Chalker gives lunch to M. de Keersmaeker
(Belgian State Secretary) at the Residence and
continues talks afterwards
- 1645 Meeting with Herr Poettering's Afghan visitor

11 December

- 0645 Depart Strasbourg-Entzheim on scheduled Air France
flight
- 0745 Arrive London Heathrow

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APPENDIX III

TRAVEL DETAILS
 (all times local)
 London on GMT
 Strasbourg on GMT + 1 hour

OUTWARD

Thursday 4 December

Miss P A Noble	AF 2646	ETD LHR	0835 hours
		ETA Strasbourg	1145 hours

Monday 8 December

Prime Minister	RAF VC10	ETD LHR Southside	1800 hours
Mr Powell	Task No.	ETA Strasbourg-	2030 hours
Mr Ingham	1150	Entzheim	

Mr Alison
 Miss Ithell
 Miss Hayter
 Supt Waller
 Chief Insp Butler

Flying time = 1 hr 30 mins

Drinks/snacks to be served

Mrs Chalker
 Miss Goldthorpe
 Mr Renwick
 Mr Wall
 Mr Robbins
 Mr Stagg
 Mr Gair
 S/Sgt Ball
 Cpl Williams
 L/Cpl Mepsted
 Miss Trimm

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Tuesday 9 December

Det Cons Stickland	AF 2646	ETD LHR	0835 hours
		ETA Strasbourg	1145 hours

RETURN

Tuesday 9 December

Prime Minister	RAF VC10	ETD Strasbourg-	1515 hours
Mr Powell	Task No	Entzheim	
Mr Ingham	1150	ETA LHR Southside	1550 hours

Mr Alison
 Miss Ithell
 Miss Hayter
 Supt Waller
 Chief Insp Butler

Flying time = 1 hr 35 mins

Afternoon tea, drinks, snacks to be served

Mr Renwick

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OUTWARD

Wednesday 10 December

Secretary of State	RAF HS125	ETD Gatwick	0710 hours
Mr Galsworthy	Task No	(North Suite)	
Mrs Simpson	1471	ETA Strasbourg-	0945 hours
Supt Eames		Entzheim	
Mr Thomas			
Mr Meyer			

Flying time = 1 hr 35 mins

Continental breakfast to be served

ONWARD

Wednesday 10 December

Det Cons Stickland	AF1934	ETD Strasbourg	0710 hours
		ETA Brussels	0800 hours

Secretary of State	RAF HS125	ETD Strasbourg-	1615 hours
Mr Galsworthy	Task No.	Entzheim	(standby)
Mrs Simpson	1471	ETA Brussels Abelag	1715 hours
Supt Eames			approx
Mr Thomas			
Mr Meyer			

Flying time = 1 hour

Snacks, drinks available

Mr Wall	AF2647	ETD Strasbourg	1710 hours
Mr Robbins		ETA LHR	1815 hours
Mr Stagg			

RETURN

Thursday 11 December

Mrs Chalker	AF1864	ETD Strasbourg	0645 hours
Miss Goldthorpe		ETA LHR	0745 hours

Miss Noble
Miss Trimm
3 RMPs

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TRAVEL ON SPECIAL FLIGHTS

BAGGAGE AND INSURANCE REGULATIONS

1. BAGGAGE

- (a) Those travelling by RAF aircraft are reminded that baggage should be left unlocked for the customary check. Butane gas lighter refills and matches, other than safety ones, may not be taken on the aircraft; certain aerosol sprays are now accepted on flights, provided they are not used on the aircraft. Any electrical items must be disconnected from their batteries.

2. INSURANCE

- (a) No refund of insurance premium is payable from public funds for officers on short-term visits overseas.
- (b) Those travelling by RAF aircraft are subject to the same statutory limits of compensation as apply to carriage by commercial airlines but international journeys to or from the UK with an agreed stopping place in the United States are governed by the provisions of the IATA/Montreal Agreement which include a compensation limit higher than the statutory one. Prospective travellers in RAF aircraft are advised to check whether their personal insurance policies provide cover for travelling by non-commercial flights and to consult their insurers if they are in any doubt about their position.
- (c) When the personal property (other than money or luxury articles) of an officer sent overseas on a short-term visit is lost or damaged during transit to or from the UK or while he is in receipt of subsistence allowance (but not local allowances and DSA) during his stay overseas and the loss or damage is not covered by an existing insurance policy, and the officer himself has not been negligent, compensation may be paid at the discretion of PSD. The amount of compensation would be based on the current cost of replacing the articles less an amount for depreciation or, if less, the full cost of repair.

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of Europe
18 rue Gottfried

Palais de l'Europe : (88) 61 49 61

UK Offices (Palais de l'Europe)

Room 6085 (9 Dec: No 10) : (88) 36 47 66

Room 6086 (10 Dec: FCO Private : (88) 36 21 14
Office)

Room 5191) :
) Mrs Chalker,

Room 5195) FCO & UK Rep : (88) 25 08 25
) Officials

Room 5197) :

Room 2008) : (88) 61 49 61
(Ext 2082)

UK Permanent Representative's : (88) 61 83 25
Residence (for Private Office)
(Mr C McLean CMG)

Mr Powell (night only) : (88) 61 24 52
(direct line)

Holiday Inn : (88) 35 70 00
Place de Bordeaux

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Mr D Wood

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Private Secretary to Secretary of State (2)
Private Office (4)
PS/Mrs Chalker
Mr R Q Braithwaite
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WED : Mr D J M Dain
 Mr C Munro
 Mr C Dresser
ECD(I): Mr P Ford
 Mr C Robbins
ECD(P): Mr M Richardson
ECD(E): Mr J Shepherd
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 Mr L Walters
 Mr S Smart
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Wing Cdr R Johnson, Room 5166, Main Building
PM (2) RAF, Metropole Building
MOV OPS (RAF) Desk Officer, Room 5178, Main Building

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APM London District
OC London District Provost Co.

Scotland Yard

Det Chief Supt D Paton, Special Branch

UK Permanent Delegation to the Council of Europe,
Strasbourg (3)

British Embassy, Paris (2)

Office of the UK Perm Rep to the EC (2)

EACH MEMBER OF THE PARTY

ADDENDUM TO ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

1. Mr Renwick not now travelling.
2. Mr Alison will stay at the Residence of the UK Permanent Representative (Mr McLean).
3. An up-to-date programme for the Prime Minister is in course of preparation.
4. Supper at the Residence will be attended by the Prime Minister, Mrs Chalker, Mr Alison, Mr Powell, Mr Ingham, Mr Wall and Mr Jones-Parry.

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FROM CONFERENCE OFFICER
VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER. ARRANGEMENTS AT STRASBOURG AIRPORT
ON 8 DECEMBER WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:-

2030 HOURS
RAF VC 10 ARRIVES. PRIME MINISTER MET AT FOOT OF STEPS BY
PREFET (M. HACENE) AND UK PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO COUNCIL
OF EUROPE (MR MCLEAN). PRIME MINISTER AND MRS CHALKER PROCEED
VIA GUARD OF HONOUR TO VIP SUITE WHERE THEY WILL BE WELCOMED
BY REPRESENTATIVE OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. MR JONES PARRY ALSO
PRESENT. SENIOR OFFICIALS ONLY REMAIN FOR WELCOMING CEREMONY
IN SUITE. MEANWHILE JUNIOR OFFICIALS PROCEED VIA VIP SUITE
TO WAITING CARS. 1 RMP TO TAKE PM'S LUGGAGE TO BOOT OF VIP CAR
AND THEN RETURN TO VC 10. MISS ITHELL AND RMP TO STAY IN
VC 10 TO AWAIT ARRIVAL OF SAFE HAND AND LUGGAGE VEHICLES ON
TARMAC AFTER WELCOMING PROCEDURE. PASSPORT INSPECTION NOT
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FOR RESIDENCE

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PRIME MINISTER)

MR MCLEAN)

SUPT WALLER)

VIP CAR

PM'S LUGGAGE IN
BOOT

SECURITY CAR S2

CHIEF INSPECTOR BUTLER

MR POWELL 3

MR INGHAM

SECURITY CAR S3

MRS CHALKER 2

MR ALISON

MISS HAYTER 5

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HOTEL

MR WALL)
MR ROBBINS) 4
MR STAGG)

MR JONES PARRY 7
MISS GOLDTHORPE

MR GAIR)
MISS TRIMM) 8
MISS ROOKS)

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LEAVE AIRPORT FOR
HOTEL AND RESIDENCE

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LUGGAGE 9

MR TOMLINSON (OWN CAR) 10

SPARE CAR 11

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From the Private Secretary

4 December 1986

Dear Colin,

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT:
STRASBOURG, 8-9 DECEMBER**

Thank you for your letter of 4 December with further details of the arrangements for the Prime Minister's visit to Strasbourg.

Lunch on 9 December

The Prime Minister is content with the menu enclosed with your letter.

Arrangements in the Parliamentary Chamber

The Prime Minister is content with the arrangements proposed. She would prefer to speak from her seat as last time, thus following the normal practice of Heads of Government. She will, as you suggest, reply to the debate at 12 noon.

Yours sincerely,
[Signature]

(C.D. POWELL)

Colin Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

[Signature]



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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

4 December 1986

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to European Parliament:
Strasbourg, 8-9 December

Thank you for your letter of 3 December setting out the arrangements. We shall in due course be providing the briefing as requested in the last paragraph of your letter. Meanwhile there are some practical points I should like to raise now.

Lunch on 9 December

/ I should be grateful to know whether you are
/ content with the attached menu, and suggested place-
ment for the three principal tables.

Arrangements in the Parliamentary Chamber

If the Prime Minister agrees, I suggest the following arrangement of seating in the Council's area of the parliamentary chamber during the Prime Minister's speech and the following debate:

FIRST ROW : Mr Powell Prime Minister Mrs Chalker
SECOND ROW : Mr Wall/Mr Jones Parry
THIRD ROW : Mr Alison Mr Ingham
FOURTH ROW : other members of the Prime Minister's
Party as necessary

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I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister would wish to speak from her seat or at the podium (see attached chart). The podium is normally used by Heads of State on formal visits. In 1981 the Prime Minister spoke from the Council seat to the Presidency's left, as have other EC Heads of Government since. The advantage of speaking from the podium would be that the Prime Minister would not then have British Labour MEPs at her back but in front of her. I believe the Prime Minister mentioned this point to Mrs Chalker last week.

Finally, I confirm that the plan is for the Prime Minister to begin speaking at 10.00 am and to remain in the Chamber during the debate. There will be an opportunity for her to reply to any points which need it from about 12 noon to 12.15, after which she will leave the Chamber for the rest of her programme. (If the debate continues after the Prime Minister's remarks, Mrs Chalker will as is customary remain in the Chamber.)

We shall not know for certain until Monday evening who will be in the chair during the Prime Minister's speech and the debate, but very probably President Pflimlin will be in the chair for the first hour, succeeded by senior Vice-Presidents such as Siegfried Alber (German Christian Democrat), Lady Elles or Win Griffiths (moderate and fair Labour).

*Yours ever,
Colin Budd*

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
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Pm TOLLES

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PRIME MINISTER'S LUNCH, STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

M E N U

Salmon tartare in jelly

Lamb in pastry with mint sauce

Cherry ice cream with pear liqueur

English cheese

Wines: Riesling and Claret

Prime Minister

President Pflimlin

President Delors

Mr Alison

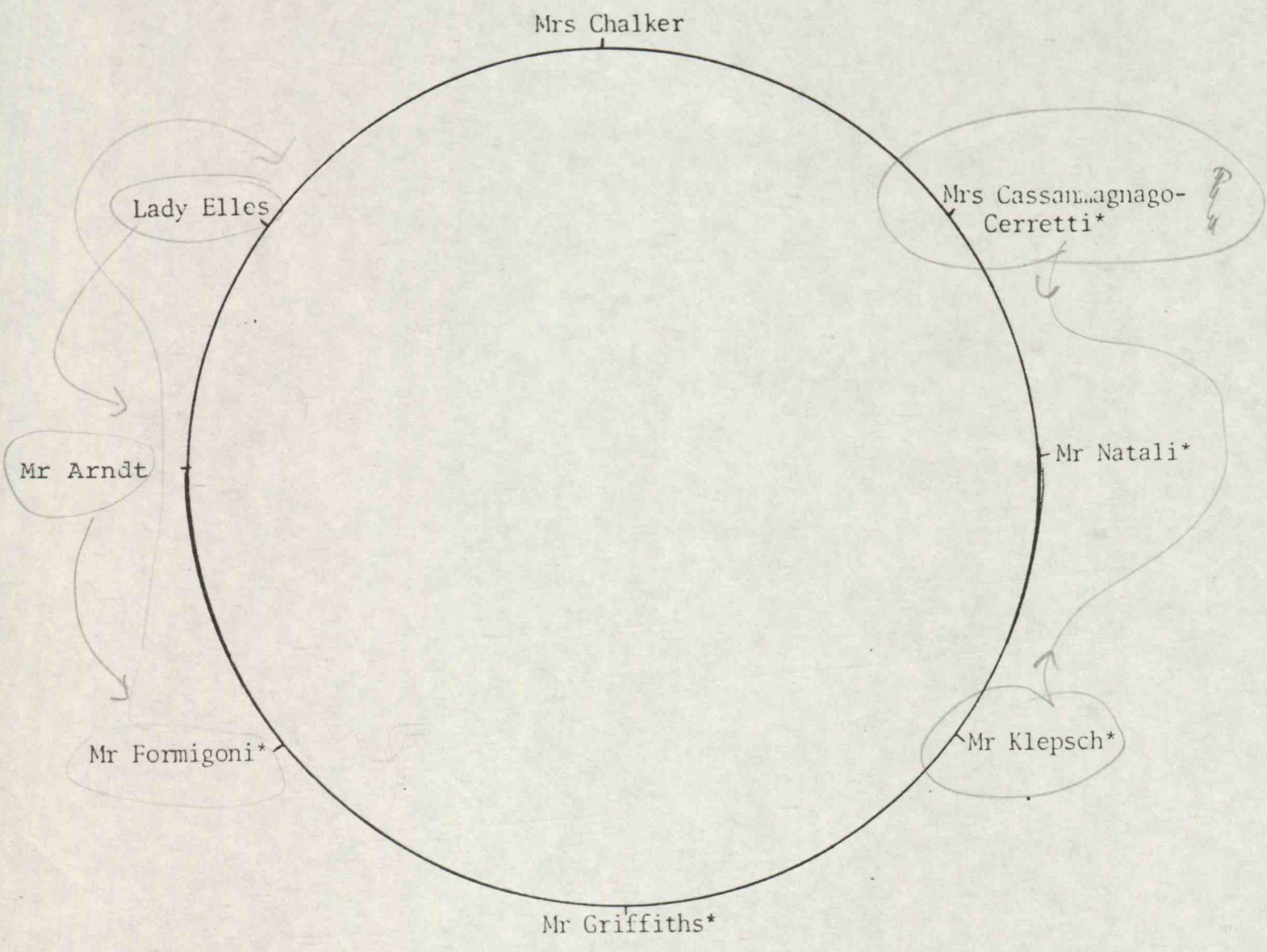
Sir H Plumb

Lord Cockfield

Mme Veil

Mr Powell

All guests have accepted



Reserves

Mr Nord) for Mr Cervetti
 Mr Alber*)

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Dame Shelagh Roberts for Mr Formigoni*

Mr Clinton Davis for Mr Natali*

* Not yet accepted

Mr Brooke

Mr Christophersen

Mr Cot*

Mr Aigner

Mr Curry

Mr Vinci

Mr de la Malène*

Mr Noel

Reserves

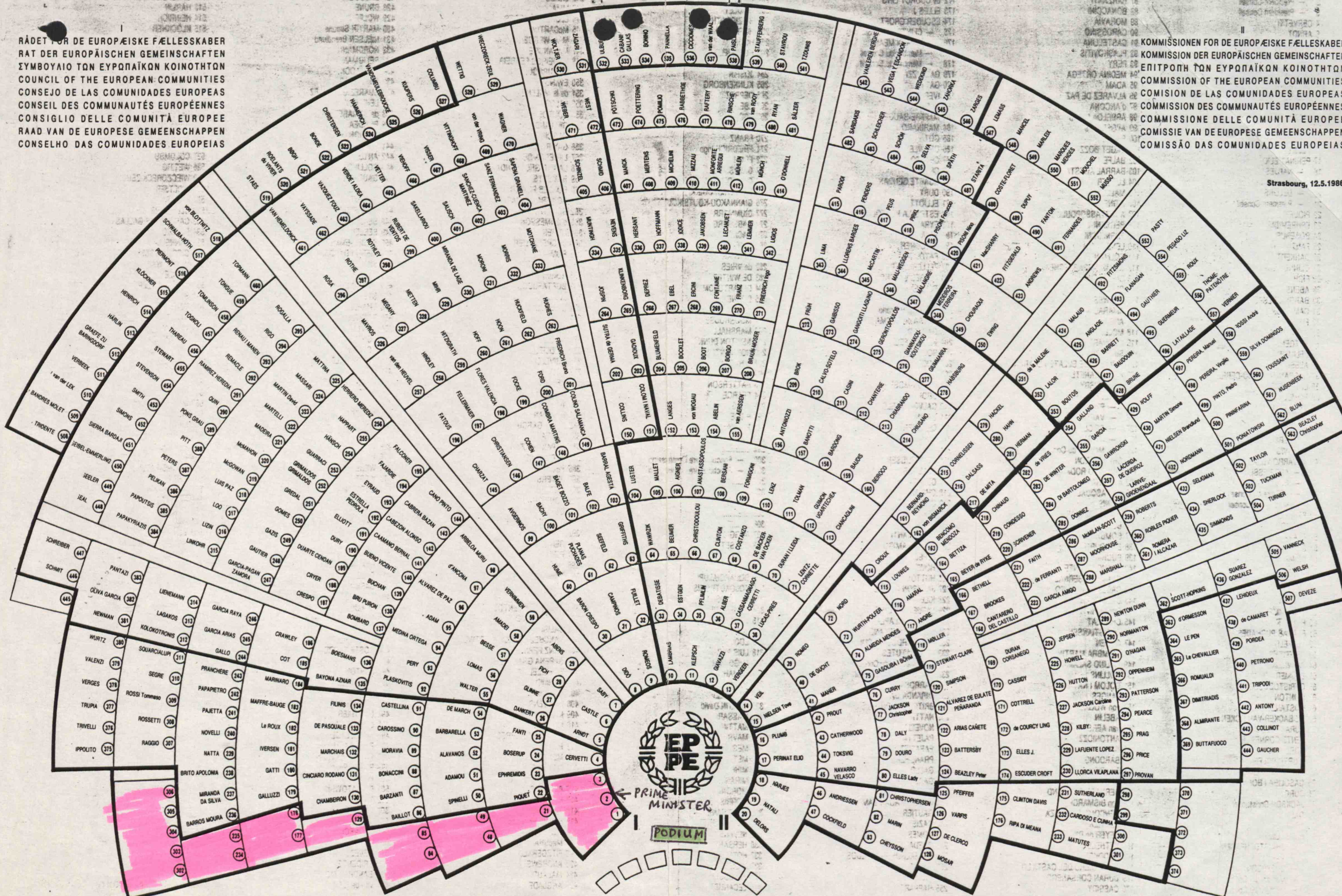
Mr Toksvig for Mayor of Strasbourg
Mr Lucas Piras* for Mr de la Malène*
Mr Toksvig for Mr Glinne*
Mr Alber*/Mr Nord for Mr Cot*

* Not yet accepted

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From the Private Secretary

3 December, 1986.

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO STRASBOURG

The arrangements for the Prime Minister's visit to Strasbourg risk becoming confused. You may find it helpful if I set out my understanding of where we are.

Prime Minister's Party

This consists of: The Prime Minister
 The Rt. Hon. Michael Alison, M.P.
 Mr. Powell
 Mr. Ingham
 Duty Clerk
 Garden Room Girl
 2 Detectives
 Mr. Wall (Foreign and Commonwealth Office)
 Mr. Jones-Parry (UKREP)

Please note that Mr. Alison will travel out with the Prime Minister's Party, but is staying on in Strasbourg and will make his own arrangements for the return.

Travel

The above, less Mr. Jones-Parry, will travel out on the VC10, together with Mrs. Chalker and her Private Secretary, Mr. Brooke and a Treasury official, and such FCO officials as Mrs. Chalker requires for her own appearance at the Parliament.

Departure Arrangements

We aim to leave Heathrow at 1800 on 8 December (subject to some possible delay if the meeting with Weinberger over-runs). The Prime Minister will travel to Heathrow by helicopter with Mr. Alison, Mr. Powell, Mr. Ingham, Garden Room girl and 2 detectives.

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Accommodation

The Prime Minister, Mr. Alison, Mr. Powell and one detective will stay at the Residence of our Permanent Representative. The rest will be in a hotel.

Working Supper

This should be attended by the Prime Minister, Mrs. Chalker, Mr. Alison, Mr. Powell, Mr. Ingham, Mr. Wall and Mr. Jones-Parry.

Lunch on 9 December

Mr. Alison should be included among those attending the lunch.

Arrangements in the Parliament

I am not familiar with the physical arrangements in the European Parliament. But I shall need access to the Prime Minister during the debate, with points for her second intervention. Mr. Alison and Mr. Ingham will also need seats in the Parliament.

Arrangements for the Debate

It would be helpful to have details of arrangements for the debate: when the Prime Minister needs to be in the Chamber, who will be in the Chair, what news we have of likely tactics/stunts by the Labour group and so on. We shall also need material for supplementaries. I understand for instance that there is bound to be a question or interruption from a Fianna Fail MEP about Northern Irish matters, probably about the Birmingham pub bombing case.

C.D. Powell

C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



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From the Private Secretary

2 December 1986

Prime Minister's Visit to the
European Parliament

Thank you for your letter of 2 December about the Prime Minister's visit to the European Parliament. I am content for those listed in the annex to travel out on the VC10. I understand that Mr. Brooke, Minister of State Treasury and a Treasury official will also now be on the aircraft.

(CHARLES POWELL)

C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

2 December 1986

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to the European Parliament
Strasbourg, 8-9 December

As previously agreed (your letter of 19 November), Mrs Chalker will be travelling to Strasbourg with the Prime Minister on 8 December and will remain there after the Prime Minister has left on the afternoon of 9 December, to take the European Parliament Question Time and carry out other business (revised outline programme attached). We suggest that Mr Wall, head of ECD(I), should also accompany the Prime Minister on this occasion.

If you agree, it would be helpful for those who normally accompany Mrs Chalker for Question Time at the European Parliament to fly out on the Prime Minister's plane, without being part of the Prime Minister's party as such. I should be grateful to know if the Prime Minister is content.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
PS/10 Downing Street



VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER)
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 8-9 DECEMBER

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

(local times)

8 December

1800 Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10 (flying
time 1 hour 30 minutes).
2030 Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport.
2100 Arrive Residence

9 December

0930 Leave Residence
0945 Arrive Palais de l'Europe.
1000 Prime Minister reports to the EP on the
London European Council (followed by
debate).
1200-1215 Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate
and leave Hemicycle (Mrs Chalker will
remain if debate continues).
1215 Opportunity for the Prime Minister to meet
members of the Kangaroo Group.
1230 Interview with Channel 4
1300 Luncheon given by the Prime Minister for
the President and Bureau of the EP,
Members of the Commission and others.
1445 Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe.
1515 Prime Minister leaves Strasbourg-Entzheim
(flying time 1 hour 35 minutes).
1550 Prime Minister arrives London Heathrow
Southside.



VISIT BY MRS CHALKER TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT :
STRASBOURG, 9-11 DECEMBER

(local times) Revised Outline Programme

8 December

Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10 with
Prime Minister (flying time 1 hour 30 minutes)

Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport
Arrive Hotel

9 December

0930 Depart Hotel

0945 Arrive Palais de l'Europe

1000 Accompany Prime Minister for report to the EP
on the London European Council (followed by
debate)

1200-1215 Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate;
Mrs Chalker remains in hemicycle if debate
continues

1230 Prime Minister meets the Kangaroo Group

1300 Attend luncheon given by the Prime Minister for
the President and Bureau of the EP and senior
members of the Commission

(1445 Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe)

1500-1630 Question Time taken by Mrs Chalker



10 December

- 1030 Secretary of State delivers end-of-Presidency speech to EP (followed by debate)
- 1145 Secretary of State replies to debate
- 1200 Mrs Chalker answers questions on Turkey during debate
- 1300 Mrs Chalker gives lunch to M. de Keersmaeker (Belgian State Secretary) at the Residence and continues talks afterwards
- 1645 Meeting with Herr Poettering's Afghan visitor

11 December

- 0645 Depart Strasbourg-Entzheim on scheduled Air France flight
- 0745 Arrive London Heathrow

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER) TO
THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 8/9 DECEMBER

Provisional Travel Arrangements: VC10 Passenger List

(not in Protocol order).

Prime Minister

No 10

Mr C D Powell (Private Secretary)

Mr B Ingham (Chief Press Secretary)

Miss G Ithell (Duty Clerk)

Miss S Hayter (Secretarial Assistant)

Det Supt M Waller

Det Sgt R Kingston

Foreign and Commonwealth Office:

*Mrs L Chalker, MP (Minister of State)

*Miss D Goldthorpe (Asst Private Secretary)

*Mr J S Wall, LVO (Head, ECD(I))

*Mr C Robbins (Presidency Secretariat)

*Mr R Stagg (Presidency Secretariat)

Miss S Trimm (Protocol Dept)

*1 FCO Detective (name not yet known - advance detective
for the Foreign Secretary)

*3 Royal Military Police (names not yet known)

Mr R Gair (COI Radio Technician)

[* = outward only].



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From the Private Secretary

1 December 1986

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

Thank you for your letter of 1 December in which you recommend that the guest list for the Prime Minister's lunch during her visit to the European Parliament should be extended to include all those who are customarily invited on these occasions. This is acceptable and the Council Secretariat can proceed on this basis.

(Charles Powell)

Colin Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

1 December 1986

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to the European Parliament: 9 December

My letter of 20 November recommended that the Prime Minister agree to a guest list for the lunch that she is giving at the European Parliament on 9 December. Your letter of 21 November records the Prime Minister's agreement.

The Council Secretariat in Brussels, who are responsible for organising and paying for this lunch, have made a very strong recommendation that the guest list should include the Chairmen of the various Committees of the European Parliament, the remaining members of the Commission, other office holders of the European Parliament and various local dignitaries representing the Strasbourg and Alsace local authorities. This would bring the numbers up to 77. The lunch is arranged and paid for by the Council Secretariat and will be held in the municipal building opposite the Parliament. The Council Secretariat advises that since recent past Presidencies have usually invited this expanded group, offence would be taken if the numbers are cut down.

In the circumstances we recommend that we should accept the Council Secretariat's advice. A consolidated list of those who would be invited is attached. The Prime Minister would be seated at a table with no more than eight others who would of course be the major representatives of the European Parliament and the Commission. I should be grateful to know whether you are content for the Council Secretariat to proceed on this basis.

Yours ever,

Golin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell
10 Downing Street

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER TO
THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

LUNCHEON TO BE GIVEN BY THE PRIME MINISTER

1. Hostess: The Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Mrs Margaret Thatcher MP
2. Mrs Lynda Chalker MP, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office

President of the European Parliament

3. Monsieur Pierre Pflimlin

Enlarged Bureau of the European Parliament

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| 4. | Signora Maria Luisa Cassanmagnago Cerretti | } | |
| 5. | Herr Siegbert Alber | } | |
| 6. | Lady Elles | } | |
| 7. | Mr Hans R Nord | } | |
| 8. | Mr Patrick Joseph Lalor | } | |
| 9. | Herr Horst Seefeld | } | Vice-Presidents |
| 10. | Signor Mario Diddò | } | of the |
| 11. | Mr Win (Winston James) Griffiths | } | European |
| 12. | Signor Guido Fanti | } | Parliament |
| 13. | Mr Spyridon Plaskovitis | } | |
| 14. | Madame Nicole Pery | } | |
| 15. | Mr Poul Moeller | } | |
| 16. | Senhor Francisco António Lucas Pires |] | |
| 17. | Señor Manuel Medina Ortega | } | |
| 18. | Sir Henry Plumb, Leader, European Democratic Group | | |
| 19. | Herr Rudi Arndt, Leader, Socialist Group | | |
| 20. | Herr Egon Klepsch, Leader, Christian Democrats
(European People's Parliament) | | |
| 21. | Signor Giovanni Cervetti, Leader, Communist Group | | |
| 22. | Madame Simone Veil, Leader, Liberal Group
(Liberal and Democratic Reformists) | | |
| 23. | Monsieur Christian de la Malène, Leader, Gaullists
(European Renewal and Democratic Alliance) | | |
| 24. | Monsieur François Roelants du Vivier, Leader, Rainbow Group
(Ecologists) | | |
| 25. | Monsieur Jean-Marie Le Pen, Leader, European Right | | |

Chairmen of Committees of the European Parliament:

26. Signor Roberto Formigoni (Political Affairs)
27. Mr Teun Tolman (Agriculture)
28. Monsieur Jean-Pierre Cot (Budgets)
29. Mr Barry H Seal (Economic Affairs)
30. Monsieur Michel C Poniatoski (Energy R&D)
31. Dame Shelagh Roberts (External Affairs)
32. Mme Marie-Claude Vayssade (Legal Affairs)
33. Mr Michael J Welsh (Social Affairs)
34. Signor Pancrazio De Pasquale (Regional Policy)
35. Mr Georgios Anastassopoulos (Transport)
36. Frau Beate Weber (Environment)
37. Mrs Winifred M Ewing (Youth, Education)
38. Frau Katharina Focke (Development)
39. Herr Heinrich Aigner (Budgetary Control)
40. Signor Giuseppe Amadei (Procedure)
41. Signor Sergio Camillo Segre (Institutional Affairs)
42. Frau Marlene Lenz (Women's Rights)
43. Herr Dieter Rogalla (Credentials)

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53. Mr Frans Andriessen
54. Lord Cockfield
55. Mr Henning Christophersen
56. Señor Manuel Marin

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58. Herr Alois Pfeiffer
59. Mr Grigoris Varfis
60. Monsieur Willy De Clerq
61. Monsieur Nicolas Mosar
62. Mr Stanley Clinton Davis
63. Signor Carlo Ripa De Meana
64. Mr Peter Sutherland
65. Senhor Antonio José Baptista Cardoso E Cunha
66. Señor Abel Matutes

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67. Monsieur Emile Noël
68. Monsieur Jean-Claude Eeckhout (Director)

Director General in the Council Secretariat

69. Bill Nicoll Esq

Representatives of Local Authorities, Strasbourg and Alsace

70. Monsieur Marcel Rudloff (Mayor of Strasbourg)
71. Docteur Raymond Leissner (Deputy Mayor of Strasbourg)
72. Monsieur Herbert Wehr (Director of External Relations,
Strasbourg)
73. Monsieur Mehdi Hacene (Commissioner of the Republic for Alsace
and for the Lower Rhine)
74. Monsieur Daniel Hoeffel (President of the General Council for
the Lower Rhine)

UK Officials

- 75-77. [Maximum of three.]

[77 attending in all]

PM TOURS Strabouway

Feb 1986



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Minister of Health
Minister of Education
Minister of Labour
Minister of Agriculture

Director General of the Commission

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From the Private Secretary

28 November 1986

**VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER TO STRASBOURG:
9 DECEMBER**

Thank you for your letter of 27 November, enclosing a proposed seating plan for the VC 10 for the Prime Minister's visit to Strasbourg.

I have amended it and enclose the revised version.

(C. D. POWELL)

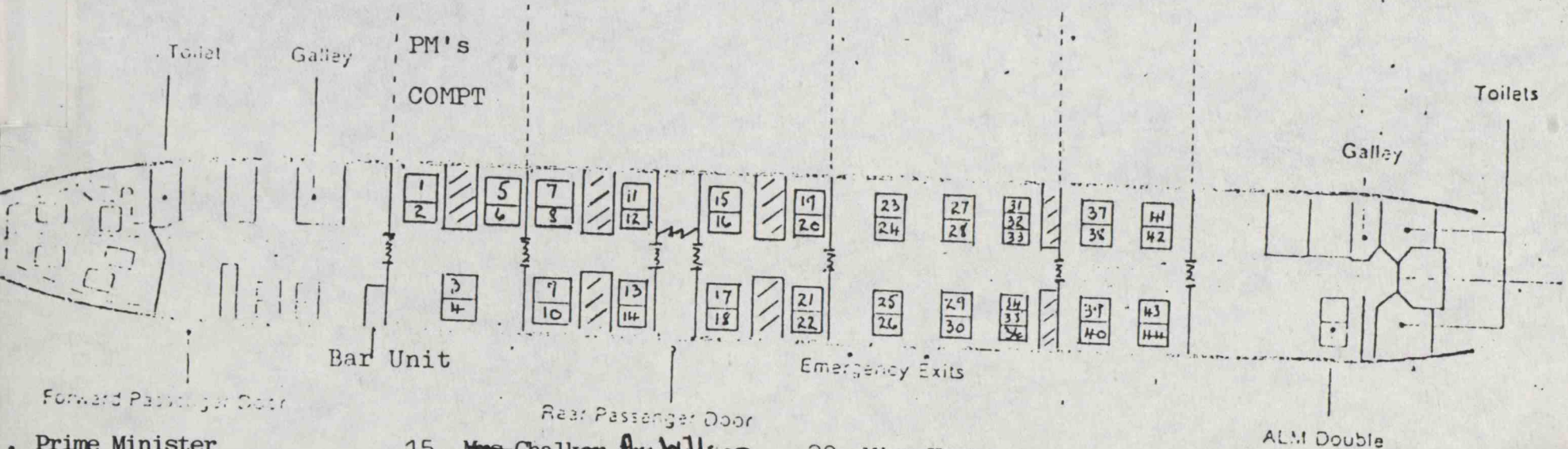
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- *Mr. Nelson*
- *Mr. Powell*
- *Mr Powell Mrs. Chalker*
- *Mr Ingham*
- *Mr. Williamson*
- *PS to Mrs Chalker*
- *Mr Williamson*
- *Mr. Brown*
- *Mr. Brock*
- *P.S.*

- 15. *Mrs Chalker*
- 16. *Mr. Williams*
- 17. *Mr Benwick*
- 18. *PS to Mrs Chalker*
- 19. *Mr. Benwick*
- 20. *Mr Wall **
- 21. *Supt Waller*
- 22. *Chief Insp Butler*
- 23. *FCO Det * (Con Stickland)*
- 24. *Mr Robbins **
- 25. *Mr Stagg **

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Tea etc = Back]

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office
London SW1A 2AH

27 November 1986

Dear Charles,

Visit of the Prime Minister to Strasbourg: 9 December

I enclose a proposed seating plan for the RAF VC10 for the Prime Minister's visit to the European Parliament in December.

The Ministry of Defence have confirmed that the VC10 will be specially fitted.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

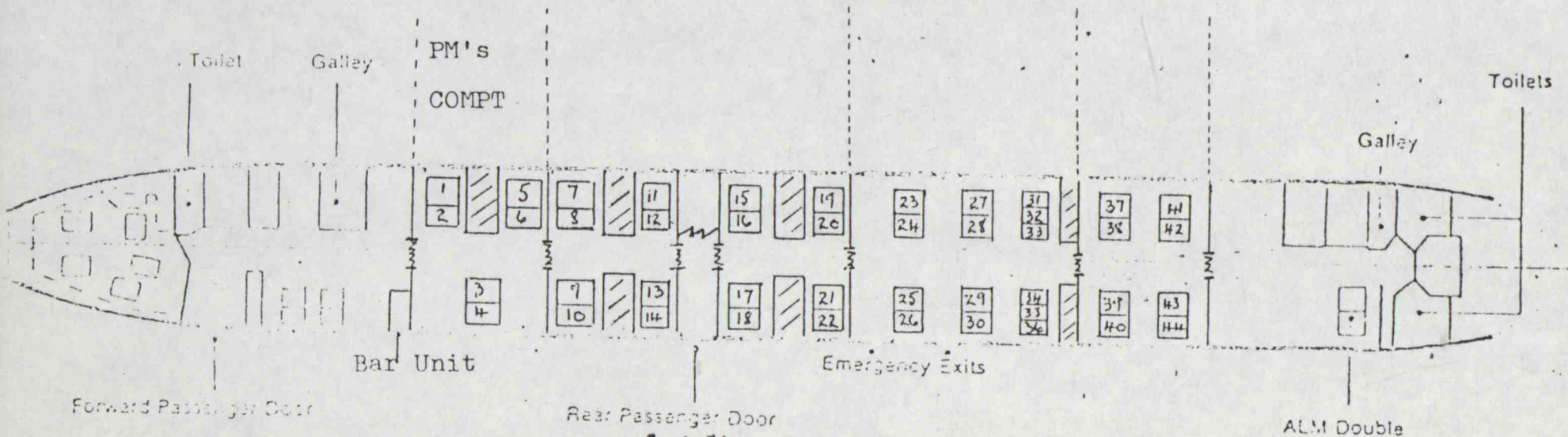
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SEATING PLAN FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FRANCE

ON 9 DEC86

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| 1. Prime Minister | 15. Mrs Chalker <i>Mr. Williams</i> | 29. Miss Hayter |
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| 3. <i>Mr. Ingham</i> | 17. Mr Benwick | 31. Typing |
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| 5. | 19. PS to Mrs Chalker <i>Mr. Benwick</i> | 33. Typing |
| 6. <i>Mr. Powell</i> | 20. | 34. - |
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| 10. Mr. Williams | 24. Chief Insp Butler | 38. RMP * |
| 11. <i>PS to Mrs Chalker</i> | 25. FCO Det * (Con Stickland) | 39. RMP * |
| 12. | 26. - | 40. - |
| 13. Mr Williamson <i>Mr. Benwick</i> | 27. Mr Robbins * | 41. COI * |
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From the Private Secretary

21 November, 1986.

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, STRASBOURG:
9 DECEMBER**

Thank you for your letter of 20 November enclosing a revised programme for the Prime Minister's visit to Strasbourg on 9 December. This is acceptable with one change: the Prime Minister sees no pressing need for a press conference on this occasion.

The Prime Minister is also content with the proposed guest list for her lunch. One of the slots for UK officials will have to be kept for me.

(C.D. Powell)

C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Prime Minister

① Agree revised programme?

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② Agree proposed guest list for lunch

(you might drop both M. Le Pen and the leader of the Greens, in my view)

20 November 1986

We had better ask them all

C.D.P. 20/11

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to the European Parliament:
Strasbourg, 9 December

You indicated in your letters of 24 October and 4 November that the Prime Minister was willing to agree the proposed programme for 9 December and to meet members of the Kangaroo Group when in Strasbourg, accompanied by Mrs Chalker. I attach a copy of the revised outline programme which also takes account of your letter of 6 November indicating that it will no longer be necessary to arrange for a meeting between the Prime Minister and Members of the European Democratic Group. The outline programme also shows that the debate on the Prime Minister's Report may go on after midday when, ideally, the Prime Minister would leave to meet the Press and the Kangaroo Group and to prepare for the luncheon. I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister would be content to reply to the debate at 1145 as planned when we can be sure that the main speeches will have been delivered. If the Prime Minister agrees, Mrs Chalker could remain in the parliamentary hemicycle on her behalf for the end of the debate.

I attach a suggested guest list for the luncheon which the Prime Minister will give in Strasbourg on 9 December (at the expense of the Council Secretariat) which includes, as suggested in my earlier letter, the President and members of the enlarged Bureau of the Parliament and senior members of the Commission in Strasbourg on the day.

With the addition of a very few senior officials, a maximum of 37 would attend the lunch. Other Presidencies have expanded this to include, eg, Chairmen of EP Committees and other dignitaries, but the Foreign Secretary considers that a lunch for nearly 40 is a maximum if it is not to become quite impersonal. For anything over 40 we should have to move out of the European Parliament building and into a separate municipal building.

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The Prime Minister will wish to be aware that the Political Group leaders include the leader of the smallest Group, the European Right, Jean-Marie Le Pen, who is also leader of the National Front in the French National Assembly. It is standard Presidency practice to invite all the Group leaders and the Foreign Secretary considers that the best course is to follow this practice. M. Le Pen was invited to, but did not attend, the reception to mark the beginning of our Presidency, which the Foreign Secretary gave in Strasbourg on 8 July.

I should be grateful to know as soon as possible whether this guest list is approved so that invitations may be issued.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER)
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

(local times)

- 0645 Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10 (flying time 1 hour 30 minutes).
- 0915 Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport.
- 0945 Arrive Palais de l'Europe.
- 1000 Prime Minister reports to the EP on the London European Council (followed by debate).
- 1145-1200 Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate and leave Hemicycle (Mrs Chalker will remain if debate continues).
- 1200 Prime Minister meets the Press.
- 1230 Opportunity for the Prime Minister to meet members of the Kangaroo Group.
- 1300 Luncheon given by the Prime Minister for the President and Bureau of the EP and Senior members of the Commission.
- 1445 Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe.
- 1515 Prime Minister leaves Strasbourg-Entzheim (flying time 1 hour 35 minutes).
- 1550 Prime Minister arrives London Heathrow Southside.

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VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER TO
THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

LUNCHEON TO BE GIVEN BY THE PRIME MINISTER

Guest-list A

Hostess: The Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Mrs Margaret Thatcher MP
Mrs Lynda Chalker MP, Minister of State at the Foreign
and Commonwealth Office

President of the European Parliament

Monsieur Pierre Pflimlin

Enlarged Bureau of the European Parliament

Signora Maria Luisa Cassanmagnago Cerretti	}	
Herr Siegbert Alber	}	
Lady Elles	}	
Mr Hans R Nord	}	
Mr Patrick Joseph Lalor	}	
Herr Horst Seefeld	}	Vice-Presidents
Signor Mario Didò	}	of the
Mr Win (Winston James) Griffiths	}	European
Signor Guido Fanti	}	Parliament
Mr Spyridon Plaskovitis	}	
Madame Nicole Pery	}	
Mr Poul Moller	}	
Senhor Francisco António Lucas Pires	}	
Señor Manuel Medina Ortega	}	

Sir Henry Plumb, Leader, European Democratic Group

Herr Rudi Arndt, Leader, Socialist Group

Herr Egon Klepsch, Leader, Christian Democrats

(European People's Parl

Signor Giovanni Cervetti, Leader, Communist Group

Madame Simone Veil, Leader, Liberal Group

(Liberal and Democratic Reformists)

Monsieur Christian de la Malène, Leader, Gaullists

(European Renewal and Democratic Alliance)

Monsieur François Roelants du Vivier, Leader, Rainbow Group

(Ecologists)

Monsieur Jean-Marie Le Pen, Leader, European Right

Secretary General of the European Parliament

Signor Enrico Vinci

President and Vice-Presidents of the Commission

Monsieur Jacques Delors
Signor Lorenzo Natali
Herr Karl-Heinz Narjes
Mr Frans Andriessen
Lord Cockfield
Mr Henning Christophersen
Señor Manuel Marin

Director General in the Council Secretariat

Bill Nicoll Esq

UK Officials

Maximum of three.

[37 attending in all]





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From the Private Secretary

19 November 1986

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO
THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

Thank you for your letter of 18 November explaining that Sir David Hannay will be unable to accompany the Prime Minister when she visits Strasbourg to address the European Parliament.

The Prime Minister quite understands this. She is grateful to Mrs. Chalker for agreeing to be there.

(C.D. Powell)

C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

18 November 1986

Dear Charles,

*Prime Minister
Center to be accompanied
to Strasbourg by Mrs.
Chalker?*

Prime Minister's Visit To the European Parliament

Sir David Hannay has asked us to explain that on the day that the Prime Minister is due to visit Strasbourg to address the Parliament, there will be an important meeting of the Research Council in Brussels, the purpose of which is to try to reach agreement on the European Community research and development programme over the next five years. Sir David considers that he must be present in Brussels for the Council and hopes that the Prime Minister will understand that he is unable to be present in Strasbourg that day. The Prime Minister, if you agree, would be accompanied by Mrs Chalker, and we shall of course ensure that there is adequate official support.

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Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street



Head of Registry
Security Dept

VISITS OF THE PRIME MINISTER (9 DECEMBER), SECRETARY OF
STATE AND MRS CHALKER (9 AND 10 DECEMBER) TO EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT, STRASBOURG.

1. I should be grateful if you could deliver three safehand
boxes in one suite (black) to:-

Mr M Harris
Chief Security Officer
Room 1 DSW

marked

"For VC10 Strasbourg: 9 December - Miss P Noble"

2. Identical keys should be delivered as follows:-

Miss G Ithell : 2 keys
No 10 Downing Street

Miss C Williams : 2 keys
Private Office
Room W51

Miss P Noble : 2 keys
Protocol Department
Room SG/93 OAB

5 November 1986

P A Noble (Miss)
Protocol Department
210 6376

cc. Miss G Ithell, No 10 ✓
Miss C P Williams, Private Office
Mr M Harris, Security Dept

The boxes are for use by the Prime Minister's party on 9
December and after departure of No 10 party by the FCO
Private Office/officials on evening of 9 December and
also on 10 December.



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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

5 November 1986

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Dear Charles

Prime Minister's Visit to the European Parliament,
Strasbourg: 9 December

Thank you for your letter of 24 October.

I should be grateful for your confirmation that the following support staff may be included in the party:

Conference Officer (Miss Noble)

3 Royal Military Police

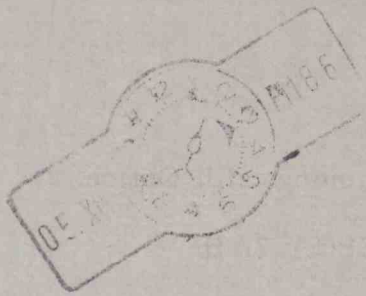
These people would all stay on in Strasbourg after the departure of the Prime Minister in order to cover the visit of the Foreign Secretary on 10 December.

Yours ever

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(R N Culshaw)
Private Secretary

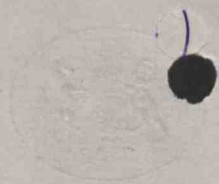
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PM TOURS

STRASBOURG

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PRIME MINISTER

✓ c.c. Mr Powell

I thought I should mention to you that I am hoping to accompany you when you visit the European Parliament at Strasbourg on 9th December. Charles Powell has kindly made provision for me to be included in the travel arrangements.

Henry Plumb has been pressing me for some time to spend a day or two at Strasbourg in order for me to meet and get to know some of our Conservative MEPs, and accordingly I shall stay on for the following day after your visit, and attend some of their meetings and functions.

I hope that this meets with your approval. I believe that Ian Gow did something similar in earlier days.

MA

MICHAEL ALISON

4.11.86



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From the Private Secretary

4 November 1986

EC INTERNAL MARKET: KANGAROO GROUP

Thank you for your letter of 31 October asking whether the Prime Minister would agree to see leaders of the Kangaroo Group.

The Prime Minister would be ready to see the Group while she is in Strasbourg. She would not, however, wish to leave the Chamber of the European Assembly during the debate on her report. We shall therefore have to look for a time in the afternoon.

Incidentally, we may need to arrange for the Prime Minister to meet members of the EDG in Strasbourg that afternoon if it proves impossible to fix a time for them to meet her in London before 9 December.

I am copying this letter to David Williamson in the Cabinet Office.

C. D. POWELL

C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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10 DOWNING STREET

Prime Minister

Could I please
ask you to
consider this again?

You have even less
time in London
than in Strasbourg.

Would you agree
to see them in
Strasbourg, but after
the debate in the
European Assembly is
over? Speed _{no} CDP 3/xi



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

31 October 1986

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Would prefer
to see them in
London

Prime Minister
Agreed to see
this Group while
you are in
Strasbourg?

Dear Charles

EC Internal Market: Kangaroo Group

Sir David Hannay has been asked by Basil de Ferranti MEP whether it would be possible to organise a meeting in London between the Prime Minister and leaders of the Kangaroo group (list attached). The Kangaroo Group is a powerful lobby group working for the abolition of the remaining barriers to trade in the Community. Basil de Ferranti is its main organiser but it also enjoys strong support from the German and Dutch Governments and from conservative and centre-right MEPs, particularly British Conservatives.

CDP
31/10

As part of their campaign for the internal market the Kangaroo Group Vice-Presidents saw Chancellor Kohl in Bonn on 14 July and hope to see President Mitterrand, M. Chirac and Mr Lubbers early next year. The Group have been powerful supporters of our Presidency (see the enclosed copy of their newspaper) and of our longer term efforts to develop Community policies which are relevant to industry. The Foreign Secretary therefore recommends that the Prime Minister should see the Group and suggests that she does so when she is in Strasbourg on 9 December. As you will see from the attached outline programme (to which you agreed in your letter of 24 October) it would be possible for the Prime Minister to leave the debate on her report on the European Council in order to receive the Kangaroo Group members for about 20 minutes. There is no need for the Prime Minister to sit through the entire debate and Mrs Chalker could take her place in the Chamber during her absence.

I am copying this letter to David Williamson (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

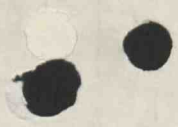
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LEADERS OF THE KANGAROO GROUP

1. Basil de Ferranti Vice President
2. Elise Boot (Dutch Christian Democrat) Vice President
3. Christiane Scrivener (French Liberal) Vice President
4. Jeanette Oppenheim (Danish EDG) Vice President
5. Gijs de Vries (Dutch Liberal) Vice President
6. Karl von Wogau (German Christian Democrat) Vice President
7. Dieter Rogalla (German SPD) Vice President
8. Ben Patterson Rapporteur, Committee on Economic
and Monetary affairs and
Industrial Policy
9. Georgios Anastassopoulos (Greek Christian Democrat)
Chairman of the Transport Committee
of the European Parliament

VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER)
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

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1515	Prime Minister leaves Strasbourg-Entzheim (flying time 1 hour 35 minutes)
1550	Prime Minister arrives London Heathrow Southside





TRADING FOR

The completion of the internal market has been made one of the major priorities of the British Presidency — keeping its eye firmly on the future health and wealth of Europe. The next time Britain takes over the Presidency of Europe is in 1992 — the date heads of government have written into the European Community

Treaty for final completion of the market.

THE RT. HON. PAUL CHANNON MP, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, outlines why the internal market must be made a priority today in order to meet that target for Europe tomorrow.

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FUTURE

Tackling outstanding barriers to trade is one of the major tasks for the Community during the next few years. It is also one to which we are giving special priority during the United Kingdom Presidency.

There has been a massive growth of trade within the Community over the last 30 years. In the United Kingdom we now sell as much in goods and services to the Community as to the rest of the world combined. But, despite the elimination of tariffs and quota restrictions, the Common Market envisaged in the EEC Treaty has not yet been achieved. The free movement of goods throughout the Community is still hindered by non-tariff barriers such as frontier formalities and differing national product standards; while the growth of a free market for services is blocked by a range of national restrictions.

Completion of the Internal Market should offer major benefits to European business. The size of the home markets in the United States and Japan has

brought them significant advantages, above all in the advanced technologies. The Community can now create an even larger home market of 320 million customers, a market more than one third as large again as that of the United States. Progress towards this goal will have a vital role to play in strengthening international competitiveness and thus in increasing wealth and creating jobs.

I am encouraged that completion of the internal market is now high on the Community agenda. Publication of the

Commission's White Paper last year "Completing the Internal Market" was a key development. Heads of Government then agreed that the objective of completing the internal market by 1992 should be written in to the EC Treaty. In the Single European Act they also agreed on important Treaty reforms which should speed up decision making — all too slow in this area in the past — by increased use of majority voting.

There is therefore a new determination to tackle the problems. Successive Presidencies have combined to prepare a

"rolling" programme of nearly 150 individual measures to be tackled during the next 12 months. I believe that this is an important innovation, and one that is essential to achieve a coherent and sustained attack on the problems.

Responsibility for progress on individual measures falls to a number of Councils — including Agriculture, ECOFIN, Transport, and the Internal Market Council itself. The prospects for each are reviewed separately in articles by my colleagues. During our Presidency our overriding objective will be to advance as far

as we can across the full range of areas covered by the rolling Presidency Action Programme — this way we hope to establish a vigorous momentum needed to carry the whole process through to completion. I particularly hope that we can achieve results in areas which will bring substantial benefits to European business.

The Rt Hon Paul Channon MP
Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

The British Presidency looking ahead

Six months is not long to make an impact but Britain is looking ahead to the future in the four priorities it has set for the British Presidency.

The Presidency is placing emphasis on the need for Europe to take continual positive steps in order to complete the internal market by 1992 and to give a boost to small businesses which Britain sees as the major hope for creating more jobs in the 1990's.

Britain took over the lead on July 1st from the Netherlands, Belgium will take over from Britain on January 1st.

Although Council Presidencies cannot switch Community programmes, they can select certain priorities.

The British priorities are:
PRESSURE FOR A SINGLE MARKET BY 1992: The policy adopted by

the Milan European Council in June 1985 included the adoption of a programme of mainly technical directives to clear the decks towards a barrier free Common Market. To date the programme has been slipping. Britain and Belgium — which will succeed to the Presidency by January — have planned the adoption of 146 measures over the next 12 months. Once the Single European Act is ratified, the use of majority voting rather than unanimous decision should hasten the speed of the programme.

EMPLOYMENT INTO THE 1990s: The British Government, backed by Italy and Ireland, aims to follow up its earlier initiatives to encourage employment. It sees the small firms as the major instrument creating jobs. Deregulation, the abolition of certain administrative and legal constraints

considered as a burden on small businesses, should be encouraged. Where possible the European Social Fund should help in starting small businesses and in training programmes.

THE COMMUNITY BUDGET: The negotiation of the 1987 Budget is a major task of the Presidency. The expected difficult struggle over the 1986 Budget was resolved in early July, but the British Government is keen to apply budgetary discipline in deciding the 1987 Budget.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT: Both Britain and West Germany have rebuked the European Commission for proposing too much money for research and development, and pressed the need for more

selective planning of fruitful projects. While backing a European Technology Community, the Council has taken a cautious approach to spending Community money in this area.

This is Britain's third Presidency since joining the European Community in 1983.

In practice, the Council has adopted a 'rolling presidency' policy which means that the work of the Community under each president is agreed by past, present and future presidents.

Britain worked closely with the Netherlands in the six months of their Presidency which led up to the British takeover and is now working closely with Belgium which will take over in January in order to ensure the smooth management of the Community.

The Inside Story - four ministers describes their aims

Making money work

Money is one of the hardest things to move.

THE HON. PETER BROOKE MP, MINISTER OF STATE, HM TREASURY, adds up the action needed to pull down Europe's financial barriers and sets out his hopes for progress during the British Presidency on tax, insurance and movement of capital.



During its meetings under the UK Presidency, the ECOFIN Council will be playing its full part in helping to complete the internal market. Nigel Lawson, in his capacity as incoming President of the Council, referred at the June meeting to a number of items we particularly wish to make progress on.

At the top of the list is the new directive on capital movements. Jacques Delors announced last June the Commission's proposals for a programme for the liberalisation of capital movements by 1992, and the European Council at The Hague broadly endorsed it. Part of the first phase is a directive providing for the unconditional liberalisation of operations in the fields of long-term commercial securities not dealt with on a stock exchange and the admission of securities in the capital market. We want to see this adopted by the end of our Presidency. The specialist committees who advise ECOFIN — the Monetary Committee and the Central Bank Governors — will also be looking at the Commission's longer-term proposals.

Another area where we need to make progress is non-life insurance services, where we have long been pressing for the adoption of a directive liberalising the regime. At the moment discussion of this has been halted while the European Court of Justice considers cases brought by the Commission against member states for infringement of a 1978 directive on freedom to write co-insurance. The Advocate General has already given his opinion broadly in the Commission's favour and final judgment is expected in the early autumn. We shall re-open discussion of the non-life directive as soon as possible after the judgment is available.

One of the most difficult areas in the internal market field is the abolition of fiscal barriers. In January, ECOFIN sought the advice of an ad hoc group of senior officials about the measures needed to remove fiscal barriers. The group concluded that the options could not be properly assessed until the Commission's proposals had been developed in more detail. ECOFIN discussed the Group's report in June and asked the Commission to provide further details,

which Lord Cockfield has promised by April 1987. In the meanwhile the UK Presidency will be pressing ahead with the work on some of the VAT and Excise structural measures which appear in the Commission's White Paper.

It is important not to forget that Council discussion of a measure is only worthwhile if there has been extensive preparatory work. One item that falls into this category is the new mortgage credit directive, where we hope that officials will be able to do a great deal of work during our Presidency, even though it is unlikely that the Council itself will be able to discuss it.

Peter Brooke

Special Reporter
Anne Morris

MARKETING THE FREEDOM TRAIL

Continuous pressure from all sides is vital if Europe is to reach the 1992 target set for the completion of the internal market. The nitpicking has to stop and there to see that it does is the Internal Market Council. **THE HON. ALAN CLARK MP, MINISTER FOR TRADE,** describes just how important the Council is in the battle to keep on target for the 1992 deadline.



The Internal Market Council has a central role to play in ensuring that progress is made on the Rolling Presidency Action programme on completion of the Internal Market. For one thing overall co-ordination is vital if we are to fulfil the task underlined at the Hague European Council of speeding up decision making in implementing the programme. So the Internal Market Council will take a regular overview of developments.

In addition the Internal Market Council is itself responsible for a substantial number of individual proposals in the programme. The removal of technical barriers to trade is a major continuing task. For example, differing national product standards fragment the internal market and add costs. Attempts to tackle these have been hampered in the past by too much emphasis on the harmonisation of highly detailed technical specifications. It is therefore welcome that the Commission have now submitted their first proposal under the new simplified approach to

standards agreed in May 1985. This is on simple pressure vessels and, following initial work under the Dutch Presidency, we hope to make maximum progress by the end of the year. We hope, too, that the Commission will bring forward further proposals soon, for example, on toy safety.

It is equally important to encourage the mutual recognition of national testing and certification systems. Experts are considering a possible system whereby products tested and certified in one member state do not have to be tested again before they are accepted for sale elsewhere in the Community. We hope that the Internal Market Council will approve conclusions by the end of the year.

A useful start has already been made in telecommunications with the adoption in July of a Directive that establishes procedures for the mutual recognition of telecommunications terminal equipment. We are also hoping to secure adoption of an important Commission proposal for a Directive on IT

standard document some 70 different Customs forms used in various parts of the Community and will be a significant help to the free movement of goods.

Successive European Councils have highlighted the importance of establishing full freedom of establishment for the professions. The July Council agreed on an important Directive on medical general practitioners. The Commission have also submitted a major proposal for a general Directive on the recognition of professional qualifications and this will be under discussion during our Presidency. The aim is to ensure much greater freedom for qualified people in a wide range of professions to practice throughout the Community.

All of this represents an ambitious agenda for the Internal Market Council. We made a good start at the July Council with the adoption of some half a dozen individual measures. Our task during the remainder of the Presidency will be to add substantially to the number of important agreements.

Alan Clark

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Whether you are talking about beef, brandy or Bramley apples — there's a mountain of legislation that is blocking free trade in the food and agriculture business. **THE RT. HON. MICHAEL JOPLING MP, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD,** describes what he sees as the main blocks in this area to the Internal Market and how he hopes to tackle them during the British Presidency.



In my sector, there are two main blocks of Internal Market items.

First there is **veterinary legislation.** This covers rules dealing with the control and prevention of animal diseases, with meat hygiene and with the control of veterinary medicines. Many of these rules are already in place and what is needed to complete the Internal Market is the addition of a number of new directives in areas not yet harmonised and the updating of various existing measures.

At the September Agriculture Council we reached agreement on the directive on the monitoring of residues in meat. In this field of consumer protection I now hope to see the adoption of the directives on medicated feedingstuffs and on the updating of the meat products and fresh meat directives.

As for specifically animal health measures, my aim in the remaining months of the year is to conclude work on the harmonisation of import rules for trade in semen and on the strengthening of the existing measures for the control of classical swine fever in the Community as a whole and of African swine fever in certain parts of it. This is a delicate area since we have to make sure that any new veterinary directive takes proper account of the need to minimise the risk of spreading animal disease; and that measures of consumer protection really have that effect.

The other main block of work is on **food and drink standards.** One of our main priorities here is to get agreement during our Presidency on the draft directive on the definition of spirit drinks and aromatic wines. This would ensure that traditional drinks (such as whisky and brandy) are produced according to the accepted traditional methods and meet certain standards without inhibiting the

development of new alcoholic drinks. It would thus protect the interests both of consumers and of producers. Progress towards agreeing this regulation has been slow since the Commission first tabled a proposal in 1982. Now that we have a revised and updated proposal from the Commission my aim is to bring discussions to a satisfactory end.

Apart from spirit drinks, the major objective for our Presidency in the food and drink area is to make progress on the four framework directives proposed by the Commission on food labelling, foods for special nutritional purposes, food additives and materials and articles in contact with food. Each of these directives seeks a mandate from the Council delegating to the Commission authority to elaborate the detailed harmonisation rules in each subject area. The procedures by which the Commission will exercise their powers are crucial and discussions in the food area link with the more general discussions in the Council on the codification of Commission's executive powers. I want to see as much progress as possible here, though there are hesitations among member states over the Commission's initial procedural proposals.

I will also be looking for progress — and, I hope, agreement — on three other food items, namely, flavourings, extraction solvents and quick frozen foods.

There are individual items of importance outside these two main blocks of work and we are not neglecting them. For example I hope to see agreement on seeds (the improvement of the seed certification system) and pesticide residues (acceptable residue limits for two chemicals used to improve the appearance of apples).

Michael Jopling

Travelling into the nineties

Taking the frustration out of frontiers is the job of the transport experts. **THE RT. HON. JOHN MOORE MP, SECRETARY OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT,** sets out his hopes for freeing the traveller by air, road or sea from the web of restrictions that still face the business traveller, haulage contractor and tourist when he crosses Europe's paper frontiers.



Since the creation of the European Community, an immense amount of work has been done to remove non-tariff barriers to the trade in goods between Community countries. Yet goods can never flow with genuine freedom while there remains so much inflexibility in the way in which they may be transported. And European business is bound to be adversely affected while there are so many national restrictions on transport services, imposing a burden of cost and inefficiency.

For the UK Presidency, therefore, the liberalisation of transport must be a major priority. Only by such liberalisation can we achieve the lowering of transport costs and the better services which we all owe to our business, our industry and our customers.

International road haulage has become ever more important in the economic life of the

Community. But its development has been hindered by the permits required for entry to some Community countries and delays at frontiers within the Community while goods, papers and permits are checked. We welcomed, therefore, the agreement reached by member states in November, 1985 on the abolition of quantitative controls on road haulage in the Community by 1992, and the agreement on 30 June this year — the last day of the Dutch Presidency — on transitional arrangements involving annual increases of 40% in the Community permit quota. But these are only outline agreements. One of the tasks of our Presidency will be to flesh them out and bring them to the form of agreed Community instruments. At the same time we must continue with the work which has already begun on removing distortions to competi-

tion in road transport. In this area, we see the development of a Community policy on vehicle taxes and rolls as particularly important.

Agreement was largely reached under the Dutch Presidency on a further Frontier Facilitation Directive and we are now trying to tidy up the loose ends which have so far prevented its formal adoption. This Directive strengthens and improves the provisions of the existing Directive, which came into effect at the beginning of 1985, for speeding up the checking of goods at intra-Community frontiers and should help to improve the present situation at these frontiers, which operators often find so frustrating.

Road passenger transport in the Community singularly suffers from a web of bureaucratic restrictions. The successful deregulation of our domestic long-distance coach services in

the United Kingdom has shown how effective such a policy could be if applied to the Community as a whole. We hope that the Commission will shortly bring forward their promised proposals on the liberalisation of Community coach services so that we can begin work on this during our Presidency.

The efficient operation of the shipping and aviation sectors is also vital to European business and consumers alike. With the difficulties currently facing the Community's fleets, we hope to reach agreement by the end of the year on a fair and liberal internal shipping regime for the Community and a common approach to meeting competition from outside the Community. We shall therefore be taking forward the discussions in Brussels on the four draft Regulations submitted as part of the Commission's memorandum on shipping, which will form the basis of a coherent

Community shipping policy.

Aviation in Europe is currently highly regulated and governed by restrictive bilateral agreements. This seriously constrains the scope for competition and for the development of new services. The European air traveller has suffered considerably because of the present regime. Over the last couple of years the UK has concluded a number of liberal aviation agreements with Germany and the Benelux countries, which have quickly shown the benefits of such arrangements. The liberalisation of air transport in Europe is well overdue and we see this as a major area for early progress.

The June Transport Council agreed in principle on the necessity of a coherent Community air transport system in the context of completing the internal market by 1992 and we now hope to make progress in negotiating the implementation of a

package of practical measures covering market entry, air fares and capacity to allow competition between airlines. The recent European Court of Justice ruling that the competition rules of the Treaty of Rome do apply to air transport and the Commission's subsequent decision to send letters to the major carriers in nine member states requiring them to comply with the competition rules of the Treaty should give greater impetus to the negotiations.

There is then much to be done during our Presidency. But we must make progress in these areas, if the achievement of the internal market by 1992 is to be a reality.

John Moore

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FROM UKREP BRUSSELS

MEETING WITH DELORS

1. AT DINNER WITH DELORS ON 26 OCTOBER, YOU DISCUSSED THE AGENDA FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL.
2. YOU EXPLAINED THAT WE ENVISAGED CIRCULATING A SINGLE PRESIDENCY PAPER FOR THE FIRST SESSION ON THE AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER COVERING (A) JOB CREATION (IDEAS UNDER DISCUSSION BY THE EMPLOYMENT MINISTERS) AND (B) SMALL BUSINESSES (FOLLOWING THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSALS, INCLUDING THAT TO RAISE THE VAT THRESHHOLD FOR SMALL COMPANIES), (C) THE INTERNAL MARKET (TO NOTE THE DECISIONS TAKEN AND URGE DECISIONS IN DECEMBER ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES), AND (D) BURDENS ON BUSINESS (WELCOMING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TASK FORCE ETC.)
3. YOU ADDED THAT WE HOPED THAT ANY COMMISSION PAPERS WOULD BE DISCUSSED IN ADVANCE WITH US AS WE WOULD DISCUSS OURS WITH THEM AND THAT THEY WOULD BE READY BY 20 NOVEMBER. WE WERE DETERMINED THAT NO LAST MINUTE PAPERS SHOULD BE CIRCULATED.
4. DELORS REACTED POSITIVELY TO THESE IDEAS. HE AGREED THAT THERE WAS LITTLE POINT IN THE USUAL RITUALISTIC DISCUSSION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SITUATION. HE THOUGHT A SHORT THREE OR FOUR PAGE PAPER BY THE COMMISSION ON THE MACRO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUND MIGHT BE USEFUL. HE EMPHASISED, HOWEVER, THE COMMISSION'S INTEREST IN RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY, AND INDICATED PRETTY CLEARLY THAT THE COMMISSION WILL WANT SOMETHING TO BE SAID ABOUT THIS IN THE PRESIDENCY PAPER. WE AGREED TO LET HIS CHEF DE CABINET HAVE A FULLER EXPLANATION OF THE KIND OF DISCUSSION PAPER WE ENVISAGE CIRCULATING.
5. YOU ADDED THAT WE ENVISAGED THE DISCUSSION WITH THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OVER DINNER BEING DEVOTED TO THE QUESTIONS OF TERRORISM/ FRONTIER CONTROLS/IMMIGRATION/DRUGS ETC. OUR OBJECTIVE WAS TO INTENSIFY OUR COOPERATION IN A WAY THAT WOULD PROMOTE THE OBJECTIVE OF FREE MOVEMENT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. TO REACH THAT GOAL PROGRESS WAS NEEDED ON IMPROVING COOPERATION ON TERRORISM AND IN THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUGS, ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION, AND THE ABUSE OF ASYLUM. THE COMMISSION WOULD CONTINUE TO BE FULLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WORK OF THE INTERIOR MINISTERS. OUR OBJECTIVES WERE THE SAME.

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6. DELORS SPOKE VERY POSITIVELY ABOUT THE WORK WHICH HAD BEEN CONDUCTED AMONG INTERIOR MINISTERS DURING OUR PRESIDENCY AND SAW NO DIFFICULTY WITH THIS AGENDA. HE AGREED THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT TO BE SEEN TO BE DEALING WITH THESE MATTERS OF DIRECT PUBLIC CONCERN.
7. YOU SAID THAT WE HAD NO WISH TO TURN THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL INTO AN AGRICULTURE COUNCIL, ESPECIALLY JUST BEFORE THE GERMAN ELECTIONS. IF HOWEVER THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT PROGRESS IN THE AGRICULTURE COUNCIL IN NOVEMBER, THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL MIGHT NEED TO CALL ON THE AGRICULTURE MINISTERS TO TAKE URGENT ACTION ON BEEF AND MILK.
8. DELORS SAID THAT HE THOUGHT IT IMPORTANT TO AVOID GENERAL DISCUSSION OF AGRICULTURE AT THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL. THE COMMISSION SHARED OUR DESIRE TO GET DECISIONS ON THESE MATTERS TAKEN BY THE AGRICULTURE COUNCIL IN NOVEMBER. THE COMMISSION WERE LIKELY TO MODIFY THEIR PROPOSALS IN THE HOPE THAT THIS WOULD ADVANCE MATTERS.
9. YOU SAID THAT OF COURSE OTHER MATTERS MIGHT COME UP, INCLUDING POLITICAL COOPERATION. THERE MIGHT BE A WISH TO DISCUSS EAST/WEST RELATIONS POST-REYKJAVIK.
10. THE DISCUSSION THEN TURNED TO THE EX NOVO REVIEW ON COMMUNITY FINANCES. DELORS CONFIRMED THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD NOT BE IN A POSITION TO BRING FORWARD PAPERS BEFORE THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND DID NOT WANT IN DEPTH DISCUSSION ON THAT OCCASION. THEY WOULD BE PUTTING FORWARD THEIR IDEAS LATER IN DECEMBER. YOU SAID THAT THE EX NOVO REVIEW MUST TACKLE THE PROBLEMS OF AGRICULTURE. WE WERE ALL COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING AGRICULTURE, BUT IN A RATIONAL WAY.
11. ON THE INTERNAL MARKET, YOU EMPHASISED THAT, AS PRESIDENCY, WE WERE TRYING TO GET PROGRESS BY EVERY POSSIBLE ROUTE, INCLUDING A NEW GROUP OF COORDINATING OFFICIALS FROM CAPITALS, EXTRA TIME TO BE PROVIDED AT DECEMBER AGRICULTURE COUNCIL, AND INTENSIVE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS. DELORS REFERRED TO THE CONTACTS WHICH HAD TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN US AND THE COMMISSION ABOUT ITEMS ON WHICH WE ARE AWAITING COMMISSION PROPOSALS. WE MENTIONED PARTICULARLY THE SPECIFIC PROGRAMME FOR THE PHASING OUT OF ROAD HAULAGE QUOTAS. DELORS AGREED THAT PRIORITY MUST BE GIVEN TO REACHING DECISIONS INTER ALIA ON THE LIBERALISATION OF CAPITAL MOVEMENT, MEASURES OF LIBERALISATION IN AIR TRANSPORT ETC.

12. IN PRIVATE DISCUSSION WITH YOU, DELORS INDICATED THAT HE IS PREPARED TO SERVE FOR ANOTHER TWO YEARS AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION. WE SHALL BE IN TOUCH WITH OTHER MEMBER STATES ABOUT HIS RE-APPOINTMENT.

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From the Private Secretary

24 October 1986

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE EUROPEAN ASSEMBLY, 9 DECEMBER

Thank you for your letter of 23 October about the Prime Minister's visit to Strasbourg to report to the European Assembly on the outcome of the European Council.

The Prime Minister is content with the programme proposed and agrees that Mrs Chalker should accompany her on the outward journey.

Charles Powell

Colin Budd Esq
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Prime Minister

Agree this programme for your visit to Strasbourg? (It's a very early start. You may prefer to go the night before)

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to the European Parliament:
Strasbourg, 9 December

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You indicated in your letter of 25 February that the Prime Minister was willing to report to the European Parliament on the outcome of the European Council in Strasbourg on 9 December. I enclose the outline programme for this visit; it reflects the suggestions in my letter to you of 3 February. (The cost of the luncheon to be given by the Prime Minister in Strasbourg is met by the Council Secretariat.)

We propose that the Prime Minister should travel by RAF VC10, and if she agrees, that Mrs Chalker might accompany her on the outward journey. Mrs Chalker will remain in Strasbourg to take Question Time in the European Parliament after the departure of the Prime Minister. Sir Geoffrey Howe will travel separately to Strasbourg on the afternoon of 9 December to conduct a Colloquy on Political Cooperation and to report on the UK Presidency as a whole on the following day.

I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister is content with these arrangements.

Yours ever,
Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER (ACCOMPANIED BY MRS CHALKER)
TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : STRASBOURG, 9 DECEMBER

(local times)	<u>Programme</u>
0645	Depart Heathrow Southside in VC10 (flying time 1 hour 30 minutes)
0915	Arrive Strasbourg-Entzheim Airport
0945	Arrive Palais de l'Europe
1000	Prime Minister reports to the EP on the London European Council (followed by debate)
1200-1215	Prime Minister may reply briefly to debate
1230	Prime Minister meets the Press
1300	Luncheon given by the Prime Minister for the President and Bureau of the EP and members of the Commission
1445	Prime Minister leaves Palais de l'Europe
1515	Prime Minister leaves Strasbourg-Entzheim (flying time 1 hour 35 minutes)
1550	Prime Minister arrives London Heathrow Southside



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From the Private Secretary

25 February 1986

**UK PRESIDENCY: REPORTING ON THE
LONDON EUROPEAN COUNCIL**

Thank you for your letter of 24 February about the Prime Minister's report to the European Assembly in Strasbourg on the outcome of the London European Council.

The Prime Minister has agreed to deliver her report on Tuesday 9 December, following the timetable set out in your letter of 3 February. This means that she will plan on making a statement to the House on the outcome of the Council on Monday 8 December.

I am copying this letter to David Williamson (Cabinet Office).

(Charles Powell)

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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24 February 1986

Dear Charles,

UK Presidency: Reporting on the London European Council

Thank you for your letter of 4 February about the Prime Minister's report to the European Parliament in Strasbourg on the outcome of the London European Council.

Sir Geoffrey Howe considers that it would be undesirable for the Prime Minister to give the report on Monday 8 December. The Parliament's monthly session does not normally begin until 1700 hours and many MEPs will not have arrived in Strasbourg by then. Moreover, reporting first to Strasbourg and only afterwards to the House of Commons would seem liable to attract criticism in the House.

The Foreign Secretary recommends that the Prime Minister should make her report on Tuesday 9 December, within the timetable indicated in my letter of 3 February.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

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From the Private Secretary

4 February 1986

UK PRESIDENCY: REPORTING ON THE LONDON EUROPEAN COUNCIL

Thank you for your letter of 3 February on the need for the Prime Minister to report to the European Assembly in Strasbourg on the outcome of the European Council held during the British Presidency.

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The Prime Minister agrees to do this but cannot manage Wednesday 10 December. Her preference would be to do it on Monday 8 December. The only disadvantage with this date is that it would make it impossible for her to report beforehand to the House of Commons. You may like to consult with the Business Managers as to how serious a problem this is. If they think it would be taken badly by the House, the alternative might be for the Prime Minister to make a statement to Parliament on the Monday and go to Strasbourg on Tuesday 9 December. I suspect that we may have to settle for this.

On the European Council itself, you may like to note for planning purposes that the Prime Minister has an unbreakable engagement on Saturday 6 December which will necessitate her being free from the Council and all follow-up press briefings by 1630 that day at the latest.

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3 February 1986

Dear Charles,

UK Presidency : Reporting on the London
European Council (5-6 December)

Further to my letter of 22 January, ^{at 11 am} I am glad to report that Mr Lubbers has now said that he will report to the European Parliament on 8 July on the European Council held under his Presidency. We now need to work out the best day for the Prime Minister's report to the European Parliament on our own European Council (5-6 December). The European Parliament will meet for the last time in 1986 from 8-12 December.

Given the commitments the Prime Minister has on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the best day would seem - as in 1981 - to be the Wednesday (10 December). It is usual for the Head of Government concerned to begin his or her report at about 10.00 am and to reply to the short following debate between 12.15 and 12.30 pm. At that point the Prime Minister would be able to give the traditional end-of-Presidency lunch for the President and Bureau of the European Parliament and members of the Commission who are in Strasbourg. It would then be possible for her to leave Strasbourg at about 2.45pm.

I should be grateful to know whether these timings are acceptable.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

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