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THE PRIME MINISTER

The magnificent globe has now arrived and will shortly be in place outside our Cabinet Room. May I say again how grateful I am to you for your kind thought, as well as for your hospitality.

I look forward to seeing you in Hanover.

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His Excellency Monsieur François Mitterrand, G.C.B.

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### 10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

13 June 1988

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister and her party to thank you and your crew for the very comfortable flights to and from Paris last Friday. We are always most grateful for the high standard of service we receive on these occasions.

(C.D. POWELL)

Squadron Leader Roger Dixon, R.A.F.

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MR. POWELL OM.

### PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS FRIDAY 10 JUNE

Are you content with the arrangements contained in the telegram attached?

DCA.

3 June 1988



### Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH

Telephone 01- 210 6373

Mrs Debbie Ailes 10 Downing Street LONDON SW1 Your reference

Our reference TXY 026/312/2

Date 2 June 1988

Ican Debbie,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS: 10 JUNE

- 1. I enclose forms for duty free requests and should be grateful to have them back as soon as possible.
- 2. I also enclose a telegram from Paris about the administrative arrangements. Please let me know if the arrangements proposed for the No 10 Office are satisfactory.

Your sincerely This Waghorn

> S M Waghorn (Miss) Protocol Department

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1200 ETA VILLACOUBLAY

1225 ARRIVE AT THE ELYSEE

1230 PRIVATE DISCUSSION WITH THE PRESIDENT

1315 DISCUSSION CONTINUES OVER LUNCH

APPROX

1445 DEPART ELYSEE FOR MATIGNON

1500 MEETING WITH M. ROCARD

1600 LEAVE MATIGNON FOR VILLACOUBLAY

1630 ETD VILLACOUBLAY

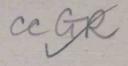
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- (D) EAST/WEST (FOLLOWING THE REAGAN/GORBACHEV SUMMIT).
- 5. ON 5(C), MUSITELLI SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD RECENTLY EXPRESSED A WISH TO FIND OTHER QUOTE PROJETS MOBILISATEURS UNQUOTE, MATCHING THE PRACTICAL USEFULNESS AND SYMBOLIC IMPORTANCE OF THE CHANNEL TUNNEL, FOR THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP TO WORK ON IN THE PERIOD AHEAD. HE HAD ASKED THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT MACHINE TO GIVE THIS SOME THOUGHT AND PROPOSE IDEAS. HE HOPED THAT THE BRITISH SIDE COULD BE ENCOURAGED TO DO LIKEWISE. WE SAID THAT ONE AREA OF PRIME IMPORTANCE LIKELY TO BE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S MIND WAS BILATERAL DEFENCE COOPERATION. WE DID NOT ENVISAGE ANY DETAILED PUBLIC DECLARATION AFTER THE MEETING, BUT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO INDICATE THAT THE SUBJECT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AND THAT THE TWO SIDES WOULD BE DEVELOPING FURTHER IDEAS FOR DEFENCE COOPERATION. MUSITELLI THOUGHT THIS WOULD FIND A READY ECHO ON THE FRENCH SIDE.
- 6. MUSITELI REMINDED US THAT, NOW THAT COHABITATION WAS OVER, THE FRENCH PRIME MINISTER WOULD NOT BE GOING TO TORONTO NOR, PROBABLY, TO HANOVER. HE THOUGHT NONETHELESS THAT M. ROCARD WOULD WISH TO DISCUSS, PERHAPS IN MORE DETAIL THAN THE PRESIDENT, SOME OF THE MAIN INTERNATIONAL AND EC SUBJECTS THAT WOULD ARISE AT THESE TWO MEETINGS. WE SHALL PURSUE FURTHER WITH MATIGNON NEXT WEEK.
- 7. MUSITELLI MENTIONED THAT THE FILE ON THE ROYAL VISIT WAS WITH HIM, FOR SUBMISSION TO THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL THAT THE PRINCE OF WALES SHOULD JOIN THE PRESIDENT AT THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION CEREMONY AT THE ARC DE TRIOMPHE ON 11 NOVEMBER (DUMAS TOLD ME ON 26 MAY THAT THE DATES WERE OTHERWISE FIRM). WE SAID WE HOPED THE PRESIDENT MIGHT BE ABLE TO CONFIRM TO THE PRIME MINISTER THAT THE DATES FOR THE ROYAL VISIT WERE FIRM. WE SUGGESTED, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE TO MAKE A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT AT THIS POINT. MUSITELLI TOOK THIS ON BOARD.
- 8. WE AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE SENSIBLE TO AIM FOR AN ANNOUNCEMENT (ALONG LINES OF TELECON BLUNT-GREENSTOCK OF 25 MAY) OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT ON WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE. WE SUGGESTED 1130 GMT, WHICH WILL HOLD UNLESS YOU WISH TO CHANGE IT.
- 9. WE SHALL FOLLOW UP ON ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS (MISS WAGHORN'S TELELETTER OF 26 MAY TO GREENSTOCK).

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

25 May 1988

Dear Charles,

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Prime Minister's visit to Paris

Thank you for your letter of 21 May. Timings are still be confirmed by the French, but we are working on the following basis:
(all times local)

0930	ETD Northolt
1145	ETA Villacoublay
1215 approx	ETA Elysée
	Meeting followed by lunch with
	President Mitterrand
1440 approx	Meeting with M Rocard at Matignon
1535	Depart for Villacoublay
1600	ETD Villacoublay
1615	ETA Northolt

The Embassy is checking that the President's and M Rocard's interpreters will be happy to interpret both ways. We shall confirm this point as soon as possible.

Parker)

Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq PS/No 10 Downing Street



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### 10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

21 May 1988

Dear dyn.

### PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS

I have seen Paris telegram no. 500 about the arrangements envisaged for the Prime Minister's visit on 10 June. These seem generally in order. I assume they mean a departure from Northolt at about 0930/0945 with return there at about 1615.

As you know, the Prime Minister is very content to use the President's interpreter if he does not mind interpreting both ways.

I should be grateful if you could let me know in due course whether he is prepared to do this.

(C. D. POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS: 10 JUNE

- 1. WE HAVE SPOKEN TO BOTH THE ELYSEE AND MATIGNON, WHO CONFIRM THAT THEY ARE WORKING ON A PROGRAMME WHICH WOULD COMPRISE A PRE-LUNCH MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINSITER AND THE PRESIDENT AT THE ELYSEE, FOLLOWED BY A TETE-A-TETE LUNCH (WITH ONLY NOTETAKERS PRESENT), AND THEN A SEPARATE MEETING WITH M. ROCARD AT MATIGNON.
- 2. THIS WILL PRESUMABLY MEAN AN ARRIVAL TIME OF ABOUT 1145 AT VILLACOUBLAY AND A DEPARTURE AT ABOUT 1600. IS THIS SENSIBLE FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ?

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#### PRIME MINISTER

### MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MITTERRAND

President Mitterrand's office telephoned this afternoon to say that he would very much like to take up your suggestion of an early meeting and invite you to lunch with him in Paris on Friday 10 June. This is of course the day we kept free in your diary. He envisaged a very small working lunch. I said I thought this would suit you well.

I added that I thought you would probably want to take the opportunity to call on the new Prime Minister either before or after lunch. If you agree we will make arrangements for this through Ewen Fergusson.

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(C.D. POWELL)

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