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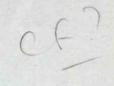
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12th May, 1988.

Prime Minister, 10 Downing Street, LONDON. SW1A 2AA

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter of 5th May. We were very pleased to hear that you were able to support our defence sales efforts in Turkey in your discussions with the Turkish Prime Minister. This particular prospective order for sights for their new fighting vehicle is the largest and most important export prospect for us at present, and we are of course fighting hard to win against strong competition from the American companies whose equipment we intend to displace.

I am pleased to report we are expecting to be called back to Turkey shortly for further discussions and that the Head of the Turkish Defence Ministry (DIDA) Mr. Erdem, is visiting Pilkington today.

We have indicated our willingness to assist local manufacture and were pleased that Aselsan drew this to your attention.

We are both delighted at, and grateful for, your strong support, and of course also for the support of the Secretary of State for Wales and of the Britsh Embassy.

With many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

J. Arbuthnott Chief Executive PM TOURS: TUKEY Jan 188.

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

CC MOD DTT CO.

5 May 1988

THE PRIME MINISTER

Vean IL. Abuth nott:

The Secretary of State for Wales passed on to me your letter of 5 April prior to my visit to Turkey. I had a full discussion on defence sales prospects with the Turkish Prime Minister, and particularly mentioned your interest in supplying sights for the new Turkish armoured fighting vehicles. The point is firmly registered with him.

Turkey is an increasingly important market for British defence equipment and, as you well know, if our companies are to succeed they have to participate in joint ventures that help to strengthen the Turkish industrial base. I was very pleased to see from my visit to the Aselsan factory that Pilkington have contributed much to this process.

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Cayant Thatter

J. Arbuthnott, Esq.

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10 DOWNING STREET
LONDON SWIA 2AA

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From the Private Secretary

10 April 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

The Prime Minister has signed thank you letters to most of those concerned with her visit to Turkey. We shall be sending them over to you separately, to go to Ankara and Istanbul by bag. But you may like to send texts of the enclosed ones by telegram in advance.

C. D. Powell

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Reference

Private Secretary

KAYMAKAM OF ISKENDERUN'S GIFT TO MRS THATCHER

- 1. The Kaymakam (or District Governor) of Iskenderun has commissioned the making of a silk carpet bearing the Prime Minister's portrait in honour of her visit to Turkey. This will be delivered tomorrow, possibly in time to be sent back on the Prime Minister's aircraft. Meanwhile the Mayor of Iskenderun has visited the Embassy in person this afternoon to deliver a copper shield and a flower arrangement for Mrs Thatcher.
- 2. The Kaymakam's gift will no doubt be a fine piece of craftsmanship and represents the particular warmth of his admiration for the UK and for the Prime Minister. The Kaymakam invited the Prime Minister to Iskenderun as soon as he heard of her impending visit to Turkey: a translation of his message is attached.
- 3. Our connection with Iskenderun is based largely on our maintaining an Honorary Consulate there. Our Honorary Vice-Consul, Miss Koba, will be at the reception to meet the Prime Minister this evening. If the Prime Minister were to ask Miss Koba to convey her greetings to the Kaymakam and Mayor and her thanks for their gifts the gesture would be very much appreciated.

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The people of Iskenderun invite the Prime Minister,
Mrs Thatcher, honourable guest of our country, to Iskenderun.

Mrs Thatcher, the iron lady and political sun shining over our foggy world, is coming to Turkey. This is a great matter of pride for our country.

The people of Iskenderun wish to invite to Iskenderun, the leading gate to the Middle East and heart of the mediterranean, Mrs Thatcher, the lady symbol of peace in the world, and to offer her a narcissus crown of affection.

These hearty feelings of the people of Iskenderun will be conveyed to the British Embassy by the Municipality of Iskenderun.

Iskenderun, which is the winter sun and spring-blooming breeze of the seasons, welcome this distinguished guest and interpret England in her honour.

England, a world source of knowledge with Oxford.

England, a world mean time.

England, an only world country upon which the sun never sets.

England, a world model of grace, with Queen Elizabeth.

England, a world symbol of the art of politics.

England, a world textile design.

England, a world accent on traditions and customs.

England, a language, serving world communication.

7 April 1988

HMA

you letters.

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PS/Prime Minister cc: HMA CALL BY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION 1. Turker Alkan, International Secretary of the SDPP, telephoned this afternoon to say that Professor Inont would not, after all, be calling on the Prime Minister on his own. Instead, he would be accompanied by Erol Ergil, the SDPP Deputy for Ankara who is also General Secretary of the Turco-British Parliamentary Group. P J Westmacott 7 April 1988

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1200	Leave Prime Minister's Office
1215	Visit to Cankaya Primary School
1245	Leave for Guvercinlik
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1350	Lunch with Mayor of Ankara
1440	Depart Denetevler
1500	Arrive Aselsan
1545	Depart Aselsan
1625	Arrive Cankaya
1630	Call on President Evren

/1715 (approx)

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1715 (approx)	Depart Cankaya
1800	(unofficial engagement) Call by opposition leader
1900	Meet British community
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2030	Dinner hosted by Turkish Prime Minister and Mrs Ozal (black tie/long dress)
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1300	Arrive Shale Kiosk, Istanbul
1315	Lunch hosted by Mayor Speech by Prime Minister
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1615	Depart Aya Sofia
1630	Arrive Municipality
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1730	Depart Yenikapi
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1805	Depart Otokar
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2035	Arrive LHR (South side)

PROGRAMME FOR MR. THATCHER

VISIT TO TURKEY, 6 - 8 1988

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1830	Take-off for London
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From the Private Secretary

4 April 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECHES

You may like to reassure the Embassy in Ankara that the Prime Minister has made no changes to the texts of her speeches for the Turkish Government's Dinner on 7 April and the Mayor of Istanbul's Lunch on 8 April. They can therefore be shown to the Turkish authorities if that is appropriate.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 31 March 1988 an Dear Charles Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Miscellanea I attach a draft of the statement which the Prime Minister will need to make on her arrival at Ankara Airport on Wednesday 6 April; and a draft few lines for the Prime Minster to inscribe when she signs the visitors book at the Ataturk Mausoleum. These have been supplied by the Embassy in Ankara. Long ever (L Parker) Private Secretary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

Me Pum MR. THATCHER VISIT TO TURKEY I attach the latest version of the programme for your visit to Turkey. Detailed briefing on your engagements will be provided by the Embassy on arrival. Please note that dinner jacket will be needed. C. D. POWELL 31 March 1988

PROGRAMME FOR MR. THATCHER

VISIT TO TURKEY, 6 - 8 1988

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH 31 March 1988

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Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Travel

An RAF VC10 has been reserved for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. The timings, based on the agreed programme, are as follows:

(All times local) UK = GMT + 1, Turkey = GMT + 3

Wednesday 6 April

ETD London Heathrow (Southside) 1420 ETA Ankara (Esenboga) 2100 Flying time: 4 hours 40 minutes Snacks, afternoon tea and dinner to be served.

Friday 8 April-

ETD Ankara (Esenboga) 1000 ETA Istanbul 1100 Flying time: 1 hour

Morning Coffee to be served.

ETD Istanbul 1830

ETA London Heathrow (Southside) 2050 Flying time: 4 hours 20 minutes

Drinks and dinner to be served.

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(L Parker) Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

31 March 1988

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Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Briefing

I attach the following items which should be inserted into the briefing folder covered by letter of 30 March:

	Programme	(B)
	Mr Thatcher's briefing	(Y)
Background on Haydar Pasha (Commonwealth War Graves) Cemetery, Scutari		(Z)

Regarding (X) in the briefing folder, the DTI briefing at (J) has notes for the visits to Yenikapi and Otokar. I shall send you a note on Aselsan on 5 April.

(L Parker)

Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street



PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: 6-8 APRIL 1988 PROGRAMME

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 30 March 1988 Dear Charles, Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Speeches In your letter of March, you asked for a short speech for the ground-breaking ceremony for the Ankara Natural Gas Distribution project. I enclose a draft based on one by the Embassy in Ankara. The DTI are content with it. You also asked, in your letter of 18 March, for a few sentences of Turkish to distribute between the various speeches. I enclose a copy of Ankara telno 166, which gives a selection, together with a guide to pronunciation. Your such (L Parker) Private Secretary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street



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70 Whitehall London SWIA 2AS Telephone 01-270 0336

30 March 1988

VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER TO TURKEY, 6-8 APRIL

I am writing to confirm that the Prime Minister will be visiting Turkey from 6 to 8 April 1988.

The party will arrive in Ankara on the evening of 6 April with the main party being accommodated at the British Embassy, where the Private Office will be located.

The Duty Clerk (Ms S Lowe) and the two Garden Room girls (Mrs L Outred-Rhodes and Mrs D Scola) will stay at the Palace Hotel. All of which are cleared for Cat III material.

The party will depart Ankara for Istanbul on the morning of 8 April arriving later that morning. Whilst in Istanbul the Private Office will be set up at the Shale Kiosk. The party will depart the evening of 8 April to return to UK.

The Duty Clerk will act as COMSO at all times until the Private Office is closed at the end of the day. During silent hours, Charles Powell, the Prime Minister's Private Secretary, will act as COMSO. Any material which may be sent will be securely locked overnight in the Private Office which will be manned during silent hours by the Royal Military Police.

BRAHMS secure speech equipment will be available during the visit and a secure facsimile will be available while the party is in Ankara only, and will be cleared for all (including Cat III) material. There will also be secure links whilst the party is in-flight.

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From the Private Secretary

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your note about the British Council's work in Turkey. She was grateful to have this as part of the preparation for her visit.

C D POWELL

Sir David Orr, M.C.

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PRIME MINISTER VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECHES I attach speaking copies of your two speeches in Turkey, which you might like to have to hand over the weekend. They have been sent to our Embassy in Ankara for translation, but are not yet being passed to the Turkish Government, so if you want to make any further amendment, it is still possible. We shall <u>not</u> include the paragraph in the Ankara speech about President Vassiliou in the translated text or what we give the Turkish Government. Charles Powell 29 March 1988



10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

29 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECHES: EC/TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 28 March proposing amendments to the Prime Minister's speeches in Ankara and Istanbul.

I have amended the Ankara speech on page 28 as you suggest. But I have also added a phrase to the end of the paragraph which reads "a partnership that we wish to sustain and indeed strengthen".

I have taken both your proposed amendments to the Istanbul speech.

I should be grateful if the texts as amended could now be despatched to Ankara for translation.

(C.D. POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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London SW1A 2AH VI. Cap to

28 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Banquet

Our Embassy in Ankara have told us that the following from No 10 have been invited to the dinner hosted by the Turkish Prime Minister and Mrs Özal on 7 April (black tie/long dress).

Prime Minister

Mr Thatcher

Mr Powell

Mr Ingham

Mr Addison

Mr Bates

Mrs Crawford

The hosts also propose inviting the following members of the British Embassy:

HMA and Mrs Daunt
Mr and Mrs C Humfrey, Counsellor
Brigadier and Mrs S T W Anderson, Defence Attaché
Mr and Mrs P J Westmacott, Head of Chancery
Mr and Mrs N J Morley, Consul
Mr and Mrs J M Brown, First Secretary (Administration)
Mr and Mrs D J Chilcott, Second Secretary (Chancery/
Information)

Yours ever,

Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

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28 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Speeches: EC/Turkey

Thank you for the amended versions of the Prime Minister's speeches in Ankara and Istanbul enclosed with your letters of 27 March. The Foreign Secretary still feels that the passages on EC/Turkey do not strike quite the right note. He remains most anxious that we should avoid giving anything which could be taken as a false signal to the Turks that we see an inevitable progression towards membership. He would therefore prefer to make the amendments set out below.

Ankara Speech

Page 28: amend the second sentence to read: "But I can assure you that, in any event, Britain will continue to give full weight ...".

Istanbul Speech

Page 28: delete the first three words of this page ("and participation in").

Page 30: amend to read: "... working closely with each other through the Association Agreement, the better. And I can assure you that Britain will continue to give full weight...".

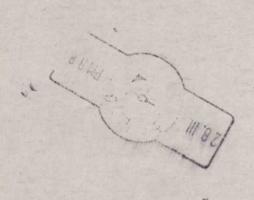
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Dear Prime Timiler

I would like you to see this note on our work in Turkey before your departure.

It is a good story of promoting Britain's commercial interests on the back of cultural relations work - and we have a real entrepreneur as our Representative there.

I know that your programme will be frantically busy, but I hope you will have time to see or hear something of what we do.

Jours siculary



Note for the Prime Minister's visit: April 1988

1. Aims

The aim of the British Council in Turkey is to promote British achievements and Britain as it is today and to complement political and commercial relations.

2. Priorities

Turkey is a priority country for the Council. Sources of funding are shown below. The Council has a good record in revenue earning and has won two World Bank contracts in vocational and technical education:

- (1) "YOK I", a tertiary education project, involves 5 British technical colleges and is worth £2.5m. Under this project British firms have won substantial orders.
- (2) Industrial Schools Project, Ministry of Education, worth £1.7m.

Current priorities include:

- winning more contracts for projects: the prospects are good for one in industrial training and the Council has been shortlisted for another in non-formal education
- the promotion of British higher education with the aim of increasing the number of Turks studying in the UK at their own expense. Between 1983 and 1987 the Council placed 200 trainees from the State Highways Department, which paid £402,000 for the service
- improving the quality of English teaching in Turkey particularly for those with a professional need for English
- developing links between British and Turkish universities especially in marine sciences, biomedical engineering, construction management and veterinary science
- identifying, with the British Embassy, those working in areas of special interest to Britain who would benefit from exposure to developments in this country eg microcomputers.

3. Premises

The Council has offices in Ankara and Istanbul. It moved to new premises in Ankara in 1986, and in May 1988 the Istanbul office will be moved to new premises in the city centre. They will offer increased space and better facilities for library users and other visitors.

4.	Budget (1988/89)	£,000
	Government grant	1,022
	Government agency (ODA) including administration costs	775
	Other agency (mainly World Bank and other paid projects)	805
	Revenue (mainly science projects)	299
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5. Staff

Representative - Edmund Marsden 6 other British and 45 Turkish staff in the two offices. Additionally there are 3 KELT (Key English Language Teaching) posts throughout Turkey and 2 project officers working on the World Bank funded projects.





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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY 6-8 APRIL 1988: COMMUNICATIONS

1. This note describes the communications arrangements which have been ordered for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey.

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2. Secure telegraph communications will be available during flights.

TELEGRAMS

3. These will be passed at Ankara and Istanbul via secure links using the FCO networks.

SECURE FACSIMILE

4. The secure facsimile will be installed in the No 10 Private Office in Ankara only. It will allow texts to be exchanged directly with No 10 Downing Street. The system can be used for material of any classification.

BRAHMS SECURE SPEECH

5. Brahms will be available for use in the Private Offices. They will be installed on demand by the resident CTSD engineer.

TELEPHONE FACILITIES

- 6. I have asked for the following:
 - i. A direct circuit between the No 10 Private Offices in both Ankara and Istanbul and the No 10 Downing Street switchboard;

ii. There will be standard telephone extensions in offices at both Ankara and Istanbul and, in addition I have ordered two IDD telephones at Ankara and one at Istanbul.

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FLE? PRIME MINISTER VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECH AT TURKISH GOVERNMENT DINNER When I showed you my first draft for your speech at the Turkish Government's dinner in your honour, you made a number of minor changes and asked for the addition of a section on the Middle East. I have subsequently put the draft to the FCO and to the Embassy in Ankara. I attach a version which takes account of their few suggestions, and includes a passage on the Middle East. The main change of substance is to tone down the section on Turkey and the European Community, so as not to raise too many expectations on the part of the Turks. The result is that the last substantive paragraph (page 29) is a bit flat. We could re-instate the sentence from my earlier version: "Against the background I have described [i.e. Turkey's gradual re-alignment towards Europe], who can doubt where destiny will eventually lead you?" That stops well short of a commitment, indeed in some ways it puts Turkish

Agree that we should now send the speech off for translation, so that it can be circulated at the dinner?

membership off on to the Greek Kalends (so to speak!). But

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you may prefer to play safe.

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24 March 1988

Dear Charles,

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Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Speeches: EC/Turkey

The Foreign Secretary has seen your two letters of 21 March attaching the latest drafts of the speeches which the Prime Minister will make in Ankara on 7 April and in Istanbul on 8 April.

I shall be writing separately with comments on other apsects of the speeches. But the Foreign Secretary has asked me to draw your attention particularly to the passages on Turkey and the EC, which he has considered carefully.

The Foreign Secretary agrees that we need to take as positive a line as we prudently can with the Turks on their relationship with the Community. But we must not forget the underlying reality that Turkey's accession to the Community would not be in UK's interest.

Turkey already has a large population (50 million). Her high rate of population growth - well over 2% p.a. - implies 70 million Turks by 2000, making Turkey more populous than any existing member state. Her GDP per capita is just over US\$1000, about 14% of the EC average. Even with faster economic growth, the rapid population increase will hold this figure well below that of the least prosperous EC member, Portugal.

If Turkey did join the Community, she would be a massive net beneficiary from the EC budget. For example, we calculate that had she been a member in 1986, net transfers from Northern to Southern member states would have increased by 50% from \$5 billion to some \$7.5 billion. Moreover the Community's rules on free movement would eventually require the existing EC member states, including the UK, to cope with a heavy influx of migrant workers.

The paper enclosed with Tony Galsworthy's letter of 23 November 1987 therefore argued that we must try to build up the EC/Turkey Association Agreement as an acceptable alternative to accession. The Foreign Secretary believes

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CONFIDENTIAL that the speech as now drafted is more encouraging to the Turks than is justified in view of these considerations. He therefore suggests recasting the paragraphs concerned as follows (the changes are underlined): a. Ankara speech, para 16: "Britain has fully supported you at every step: indeed no country has worked harder than the United Kingdom in recent years to strengthen Turkey's relations with all these institutions. We understand that you see Turkey's application for full membership of the European Community as a further step in your progress - in Ataturk's words - "in the direction of the West". The Commission of the European Communities are now preparing their opinion, which is the normal procedure, and that will become the basis for the Community's collective decision. I cannot predict what that will be. But I can say that Britain attaches great weight to the long history of our relations with Turkey, our many common interests and the fact that we are already partners in so many common endeavours." Istanbul speech, para 19, final tiret: "Second, we understand your wish, in the context of your long history of developing relations with the West, to go beyond the Association Agreement to full membership of the European Community. The Commission of the European Community are preparing their opinion, which of course is the correct procedure under the EC Treaty for handling applications for accession. This will take time: the issues are complex. Meanwhile I can assure you that the UK attaches great importance to the long history of our relations with Turkey and to the many common interests that bind us together." ions ever

Private Secretary

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Dear Sarah

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: WREATHS

- 1. I attach a copy of a telegram about an extra wreath for the Scutari war graves.
- 2. Our Consulate-General in Istanbul advise that as there are two cemeteries at Scutari; (one for the dead of the Crimean War and the other for the First World War), we may need two wreaths.
- 3. As there are no poppy wreaths available in Istanbul, I propose to order two (30" diameter) poppy wreaths from the British Legion. We would place a one inch wide red, white and blue ribbon with card from the Prime Minister on each wreath.
- 4. Could you please confirm as soon as possible that this arrangement is acceptable.

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECH AT LUNCH AT INSTANBUL

Your letter of 21 March to Lyn Parker invited additions to this draft speech.

The text is satisfactory to DTI and we are content with Post's suggested amendments in Ankara Telno 0164. We suggest two further minor changes as follows:-

Page 13, para 13

Amend to read: "... increase trade and investment. Many British companies have invested in Turkey. The climate for investment must, however, be good. Safeguards for the investment and for intellectual property rights are important. We wish to increase links of all kinds ..."

Page 17, para 18

Amend to read "... reputation for bridge and roadbuilding and much else besides".

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24 March 1988

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Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Speeches

With your two letters of 21 March you sent over drafts of the speeches which the Prime Minister will make in Ankara and Istanbul. The Foreign Secretary believes these drafts are largely on the right lines. I wrote to you earlier proposing amendments to passages in both speeches on European Community aspects. Stephen Ratcliffe is, I understand sending DTI comments on the Istanbul speech separately. The following are our own suggestions for amendment fo the non-EC sections. They incorporate many of those proposed by Timothy Daunt (Ankara telnos 162, 163 and 164 - copies attached)

Ankara Speech

Page 6: Omit "in the Crusades and".

Page 9: <u>Insert</u> after "history", "Only last month you celebrated the heroic defence of the Straits - masterminded by Ataturk - against Britain and her allies in 1915."

Page 11: Amend 4th sentence to read "Your exports to us were up by over 40% last year".

Page 12: Omit 2nd sentence.

Add at end of last sentence "Number two is, however, now nearing completion, thanks to British design, much British civil engineering and large quantities of British Steel."

Page 13: <u>Insert</u> new first sentence: "I am interested in other sorts of bridge-building too:".

Amend 3rd sentence to read "But there are four particular issues which I want to touch on".

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Page 14: Amend first sentence to read "We want to see a comprehensive, just and lasting settlement, which will satisfy the needs and wishes of the two communities there".

Page 15: <u>Delete</u> "the new" and "of Cyprus", so that it reads ... "from President Vassiliou, who ...

Page 16: After "progress." Add "And in my view Turkey has a real interest, as she looks towards the future, in a settlement".

Add, after third line, new paragraphs:

"Secondly, I turn to the Middle East. Turkey is uniquely placed to help resolve the bitter and bloody conflicts there. The Occupied Territories are in turmoil. The status quo is not sustainable. We know thefundamental principles for a settlement, and believe that an International Conference offers the best way forward. We welcome and support US efforts to help the parties reach agreement. I am sure, Mr Prime Minister, you will use your influence with the parties to urge them not to reject this opportunity.

We remain deeply anxious about the war between your two close neighbours, Iran and Iraq. I am appalled by recent reports of chemical weapons being used, killing innocent civilians. I know how hard you have been trying to bring the parties to the negotiating table. We must all go on working to end this war."

In line four, delete "Second"; substitute "Thirdly"

Page 17: Amend 3rd sentence to read "But we also agreed that there is as yet no sign of the Soviet threat to NATO being reduced and that we therefore need to keep our own forces and weapons up to date at all levels, including nuclear."

Page 18: In second line, <u>delete</u> "there"; <u>substitute</u> "in the Soviet Union".

Page 21: Amend first sentence to read "That is of course literally true, and it brought you in the 16th Century, and again in the 17th, to the gates of Vienna".

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Page 26: If Mr Ozal proposes a toast to HM The Queen, the Prime Minister should of course propose one to the President of the Turkish Republic.

Istanbul Speech

Pages 1, 6 and 20: Amend "Mr Mayor" to read "Lord Mayor".

Page 3: Insert "British" before "Prime Minister".

Page 4: Amend "waters of the Bosphorus" to read "waters of the Straits".

Amend last sentence to read "and so it remains today despite two great bridges, soon perhaps to be followed by another".

Insert new Page 5 "Today more and more British visitors are seeing Istanbul for themselves. I am one of them. Like all of them, I am overwhelmed by your magnificent city. This morning I crossed the Bosphorus to visit the military cemetery at Uskudar - a most moving sight - and saw the famous field hospital where Florence Nightingale nursed wounded British and Turkish troops during the Crimean War. This afternoon I look forward with immense anticipation to visiting the Topkapi Palace and Aya Sofia, two of the jewels in Istanbul's crown. Our lunch today in a splendid Ottoman kiosk is another of the highlights of my visit and one for which I am most grateful".

Page 7: <u>Delete</u> second sentence. <u>Insert</u> "You are also providing parks and walk-ways where once there were derelict factories. I look forward to my visit this afternoon to one of the largest water treatment schemes in the world at Yenikapi, a major project in which I am glad to say British companies are playing a significant part. We too are proud of our record in urban renewal. London's Docklands is one of the biggest and most successful such projects in the world. And today in the River Thames, after many hundreds of years, fish are swimming again as it flows through London".

Insert new immediately following paragraph:

"Another problem which London and Istanbul have in common is traffic congestion. Here again, you are pressing

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ahead with major schemes to improve the situation. A key element in your strategy is, I know, the Besiktas-Samatya Highway. It is a source of great satisfaction to me that two British companies, Tarmac and Wimpey, in partnership with Turkishand other firms, have been chosen for this key project".

Page 8: In second line <u>delete</u> "success"; <u>substitute</u> "revival".

Amend first complete sentence to read "I know that many whom you have invited today are responsible for Turkey's commercial success, and I am delighted to meet them and hear at first hand about your economic progress".

Page 10: After "Any major economy in Europe" add "Turkey apart."

Page 14: After semi colon in line 4 <u>insert</u> 'you, Lord Mayor, met the members of a high-level mission from the Confederation of British Industry during their visit to Istanbul last month;'

Page 15: In first line <u>delete</u> 'Trade'; <u>insert</u> 'Industrial'.

Page 16: <u>Delete</u> lines 7 and 8. <u>Insert</u> 'we feel that this is an area in which we can work together much more than we do at present'.

Pages 15-17: Delete from "British companies are involved in" to "bridge-building too".

Substitute: "Our trading and industrial links are growing. And I confidently believe the pace will accelerate as Turkey progresses in its industrialisation and as our businessmen get to know each other better. British contractors are well placed to win major projects in Turkey. I attended yesterday the ground-breaking ceremony for the Ankara Natural Gas project and I am sure that is only the start. Quite apart from roads and hotels where our construction companies are already active, British firms are competing to undertake projects in such diverse areas as health, radio communications, radar, water treatment, urban transport schemes, computerisation, coal mines. They are also involved in joint ventures, one of which - Land Rover - I shall be visiting this afternoon. This is only a sample.

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CONFIDENTIAL "Britain is now a leader in many high technology fields. Our Defence industry is outstanding and we know that the opportunities for co-operation range far wider than our present activities." Delete last line of Page 20, first line of Page 21 and first word of line 2. Private Secretary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street CONFIDENTIAL

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- 1. WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:
 - (A) PARAS 1 6 AND 20. DALAN LIKES (SINCE HIS VISIT TO LONDON)
 TO BE ADDRESSED AS ''LORD MAYOR''.
 - (B) PARA 2. INSERT ''BRITISH'' BEFORE ''PRIME MINISTER''.
 - (C) PARA 4. AMEND 'THE WATERS OF THE BOSPHORUS' TO READ 'THE WATERS OF THE STRAITS', AND THE LAST SENTENCE TO READ: 'AND SO IT REMAINS TODAY DESPITE TWO GREAT BRIDGES, SOON PERHAPS TO BE FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER....'

 (THE SECOND BRIDGE IS NOW VIRTUALLY COMPLETE).
 - (D) ADD A NEW PARA 5 ON THE LINES OF:

 ''TODAY MORE AND MORE BRITISH VISITORS ARE SEEING

 ISTANBUL FOR THEMSELVES. I TOO AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE

 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE SOMETHING OF YOUR MAGNIFICENT CITY.

 THIS MORNING I CROSSED THE BOSPHORUS TO VISIT THE

 MILITARY CEMETERY AT USKUDAR A MOST MOVING SITE AND

 SAW THE FAMOUS FIELD HOSPITAL WHERE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

 NURSED WOUNDED BRITISH AND TURKISH TROOPS DURING THE

 CRIMEAN WAR. THIS AFTERNOON I LOOK FORWARD TO VISITING

 THE TOPKAPI PALACE AND AYA SOFIA, TWO OF THE JEWELS IN

 ISTANBUL'S CROWN. OUR LUNCH TODAY IN A SPLENDID

 OTTOMAN KIOSK IS ANOTHER OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF MY VISIT,

 AND ONE FOR WHICH I AM MOST GRATEFUL''.
 - (E) PARA 6. AFTER ''ACHIEVING THAT.'' DELETE REMAINDER OF PARAGRAPH AND SUBSTITUTE: ''YOU HAVE ALREADY MADE GREAT PROGRESS, IN CLEANING UP THE GOLDEN HORN AND PROVIDING

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PARKS AND WALK-WAYS WHERE ONCE THERE WERE DERELICT FACTORIES. I LOOK FORWARD TO MY VISIT THIS AFTERNOON TO ONE OF THE LARGEST WATER TREATMENT SCHEMES IN THE WORLD AT YENIKAPI, A MAJOR PROJECT IN WHICH I AM GLAD TO SAY THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT BRITISH TECHNICAL AND CONSULTANCY INVOLVEMENT. WE TOO ARE PROUD OF OUR RECORD IN URBAN RENEWAL - LONDON'S DOCKLANDS IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL SUCH PROJECTS IN THE WORLD. AND TODAY IN THE RIVER THAMES, AFTER MANY HUNDRED OF YEARS, FISH ARE SWIMMING AGAIN AS IT FLOWS THROUGH LONDON'.

- (F) INSERT AFTER PARA 6: ''ANOTHER PROBLEM WHICH LONDON AND ISTANBUL HAVE IN COMMON IS TRAFFIC CONGESTION. HERE AGAIN, YOU ARE PRESSING AHEAD WITH MAJOR SCHEMES TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION. A KEY ELEMENT IN YOUR STRATEGY IS, I KNOW, THE BESIKTAS-SAMATYA HIGHWAY, AND IT IS A SOURCE OF GREAT SATISFACTION TO ME THAT TWO BRITISH COMPANIES, TARMAC AND WIMPEY, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A CONSORTIA, HAVE BEEN CHOSEN FOR THIS KEY PROJECT''.
- (G) PARA 7. SUBSTITUTE ''ECONOMIC REVIVAL'' FOR ''ECONOMIC SUCCESS''.
- (H) PARA 8. AMEND TO READ ''.......MANY WHOM YOU HAVE INVITED TODAY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TURKEY'S COMMERCIAL SUCCESS, AND I AM DELIGHTED TO MEET THEM AND HEAR AT FIRST HAND ABOUT YOUR ECONOMIC PROGRESS''.
- (I) PARA 15. AMEND LINE 3 TO READ: '....THIS YEAR: YOU, LORD MAYOR, MET THE MEMBERS OF A HIGH LEVEL MISSION FROM THE CONFEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRY DURING THEIR VISIT TO ISTANBUL LAST MONTH: AND IN OCTOBER.....'
 - (J) PARA 16. THIS SHOULD READ: '..... A MAJOR
 TURKISH INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT THE BARBICAN....'
 - (K) PARA 18. THE REFERENCE TO SELLING DEFENCE EQUIPMENT IS A LITTLE BLUNT. WE SUGGEST: "WE FEEL THAT THIS IS AN AREA IN WHICH WE CAN WORK TOGETHER MUCH MORE THAN WE DO AT PRESENT."
- (L) PARA 20. THE TURKS NOW PROPOSE THAT SPEECHES SHOULD BE

PAGE 2 RESTRICTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE LUNCH, THE PRESS THEN LEAVING THE ROOM (MY MINUTE OF 17 MARCH COPIED TO CONFERENCE SECTION). AS A RESULT, THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BE EXPECTED TO SPEAK FOR NO MORE THAN, SAY, 15 MINUTES, WITHOUT THEN TAKING QUESTIONS. THE THIRD SENTENCE OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHOULD THEREFORE BE DELETED.

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MIPT: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT: ANKARA SPEECH

- 1. WE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

 (A) PARA 7. THE REFERENCE TO "'THE CRUSADES" SEEMS GRATUITOUS:

 IT IS A DIRTY WORD HERE AND IT IS NOT STRICTLY TRUE THAT BRITAIN

 AND TURKEY FOUGHT EACH OTHER IN THEM.
- (B) PARA 10. IT WOULD GO DOWN WELL IF THE PRIME MINISTER ADDED A NEW SECOND SENTENCE ON THE LINES OF: 'ONLY LAST MONTH YOU CELEBRATED THE HEROIC DEFENCE OF THE STRAITS MASTERMINDED BY ATATURK AGAINST BRITAIN AND HER ALLIES IN 1915.'
- (C) PARA 12. WHATEVER THE AGREED WHITEHALL LINE ON BOSPHORUS III, WE SEE ADVANTAGE IN STRESSING THE SIGNIFICANT BRITISH CONTENT IN BOSPHORUS II. YOU MIGHT AMEND AS FOLLOWS: "WELL, IT'S BEEN A CASE OF ONLY ONE BRIDGE SO FAR, ALTHOUGH NUMBER TWO IS NOW NEARING COMPLETION, THANKS TO BRITISH DESIGN, MUCH BRITISH CIVIL ENGINEERING, AND LARGE QUANTITIES OF BRITISH STEEL."
- PARA 13. VASSILIOU'S CALL ON THE PRIME MINISTER, ARRANGED AT SHORT NOTICE, WAS ALWAYS GOING TO BE SENSITIVE FOR THE TURKS (MY TELNO 140). IT WILL BE MORESO SINCE IT IS NOW CLEAR - AND THE TURKISH HAVE NOTED THAT DENKTASH WILL BE IN LONDON AT THE SAME TIME BUT WILL NOT MEET MRS THATCHER. IF THERE IS A SHARP REACTION FROM THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT, IT MAY BE BEST TO OMIT THE SENTENCE 'MAY I ALSO SAY THAT PRESENT IMPASSE''. IF NOT, THE REFERENCE TO HIS VISIT COULD BE RETAINED, BUT I WOULD BE HAPPIER IF THE PRIME MINISTER REFERRED TO ''A VISIT FROM PRESIDENT VASSILIOU'' RATHER THAN TO ''A VISIT FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS''. THIS PARAGRAPH MIGHT IN ANY CASE INCLUDE A FIRM REMINDER TO THE TURKS THAT IT IS IN THEIR INTERESTS TO WORK FOR A SETTLEMENT, AND NOT TO SIT PAT ON THE PRESENT IMPASSE. WE SUGGEST: ''IN MY VIEW, TURKEY HAS A REAL INTEREST, IN THE CONTEXT OF HER AMBITIONS FOR THE FUTURE, IN A JUST AND LASTING SETTLEMENT.' '

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(E) PARA 18. OZAL MAY PROPOSE A TOAST TO THE QUEEN. IF HE DOES, THE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD OF COURSE PROPOSE ONE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE TURKISH REPUBLIC.

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PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME FOR VISIT TO TURKEY 6-8 APRIL 1988

Wednesday 6 April

2200 Arrive Ankara Airport

Met by Turkish Prime Minister and Mrs. Ozal

2220 Depart Airport

2250 Arrive Embassy Residence

Thursday 7 April

0900	Depart Residence
0915	Ataturk Mausoleum
0945	Depart Mausoleum
0955	Arrive Prime Minister's Office
1000	Official Talks (accompanied by Ambassadors and Private
	Secretaries only)
1200	Leave Prime Minister's Office
1215	Visit Cankaya Primary School

1305 Ground Breaking Ceremony for Ankara Natural Gas
Distribution Plant

1340 Leave for Denetevler (Mayor's Guest House)

1350 Lunch with Mayor of Ankara

1245 Leave for Guvercinlik

1440 Depart Denetevler

1500 Arrive Aselsan

1545 Depart Aselsan

1625 Arrive Cankaya

1630 Call on President Evren

1715 Depart Cankaya

1800 (Unofficial Engagement) Call by Opposition Leader

1900 Meet British Community

2015 Depart Residence

2030 Prime Minister and Mrs. Ozal's Dinner

Friday 8 April

- 0900 Leave Residence
- 0930 Joint Press Conference at Ankara Airport
- 1025 Depart Ankara for Istanbul
- 1125 Arrive Istanbul Airport

 Met by Governor, Mayor, Military Commander and Police
 Chief
- 1130 Depart Istanbul Airport
- 1150 Arrive Municipality
- 1220 Depart Istanbul Municipality
- 1240 Arrive Shale Kiosk
- 1300 Mayor of Istanbul's Lunch
- 1445 Depart Shale Kiosk
- 1500 Visit Topkapi Palace and Aya Sofia
- 1600 Visit Yenikapi Water Treatment Plant
- 1630 Depart Yenikapi
- 1640 Visit Otokar Land Rover Assembly Plant
- 1700 Depart Otokar
- 1715 Arrive Istanbul Airport
 Seen off by Governor, Mayor, Military Commander and
 Police Chief
- 1730 Depart Istanbul



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From the Private Secretary

22 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: TRAVEL

Thank you for your letter of 22 March about travel arrangements for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey.

I enclose the seating plan, slightly amended. We can certainly take the extra passengers for the Ankara-Istanbul leg of the journey.

C D POWELL

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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London SW1A 2AH 22 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Travel

I submit, for your approval, seating plans for the RAF VC10.

For the Ankara - Istanbul leg of the journey, our Embassy have asked for four seats for the Embassy staff (HM Ambassador and Mrs Daunt plus Mr Chilcott (Chancery/Information) and Mr McLeman (CTSD Engineer).

The Turkish Government have also asked if up to eight officials could travel on the aircraft. The Turkish party as at present known is:-

Mr Yilmaz, Foreign Minister
Turkish Ambassador and Mrs Gümrükçuöglu
Mr Yegen, Head of MFA, Protocol (or Mr Ezen, Deputy
Head)
Mr Celik, Adviser to the Foreign Minister
Escorting Officer and his wife (to be named)

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22 March 1988

Dear Charles,

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Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Programme

In your letter of 21 March you asked us to pursue with Timothy Daunt how the Prime Minister's wish to visit Scutari could be accommodated.

You will by now have seen Ankara telno 160 (copy attached) in which the Embassy report a discussion with the Deputy Head of Protocol at the Turkish MFA. The logistics remain to be worked out. But it seems that, if Mr Ozal can agree to the earlier time for the press conference, the Prime Minister may be able to fit in the visit to Scutari without throwing the rest of the programme agreed for the day in Istanbul out of joint.

Subject to eventual satisfaction over the Scutari arrangements, I hope that you can agree that the programme for the Prime Minister's visit may now be regarded as final.

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(L Parker)

Private Secretary

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YOUR TELNO 93: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY:

PROGRAMME:

- 1. HEAD OF CHANCERY DISCUSSED THE PRIME MINISTER'S WISH TO VISIT THE CEMETERY AT SCUTARI WITH EZEN, DEPUTY HEAD OF PROTOCOL AT THE MFA, THIS AFTERNOON, ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT SHE WOULD ALSO WISH TO VISIT THE ADJACENT FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE HOSPITAL.
- 2. EZEN UNDERTOOK TO CONSIDER HOW BEST THE VISIT COULD BE FITTED IN. STARTING AN HOUR EARLIER AS WE HAD PROPOSED WOULD HELP: HE WOULD CHECK THAT MR OZAL COULD MANAGE THE PRESS CONFERENCE AT ANKARA AIRPORT AT 0830 INSTEAD OF 0930. ON LOGISTICS IN ISTANBUL, HE THOUGHT THAT THE PRIME MINISTER'S PARTY, INCLUDING PRESS, WOULD BE TOO LARGE TO USE HELICOPTERS. THE BEST ALTERNATIVE MIGHT BE TO USE A HYDROFOIL OR FAST LAUNCH FROM THE LANDING FACILITIES NEAREST TO ISTANBUL AIRPORT. THIS MIGHT MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO VISIT THE CEMETERY AND THE HOSPITAL BEFORE TRAVELLING BY CAR TO THE MUNICIPALITY FOR A SHORT VISIT BEFORE LUNCH, AS PLANNED. EZEN AGREED THAT THE CALL AT THE MUNICIPALITY COULD IF NECESSARY BE PUT BACK TO THE AFTERNOON. (THERE SEEMED TO BE NO NEED AT THIS STAGE TO SUGGEST DROPPING IT ALTOGETHER).
- 3. THERE IS ONE FURTHER MINOR COMPLICATION: SCUTARI IS THE HQ OF THE TURKISH FIRST ARMY. IT WILL THEREFORE BE DIFFICULT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO AVOID SPENDING A FEW MINUTES WITH ITS COMMANDER AT THE BEGINNING OF HER VISIT TO THE HOSPITAL.
- 4. EZEN SAW NO DIFFICULTY IN ACCOMMODATING THE PRIME MINISTER'S WISH TO ARRIVE IN ANKARA AN HOUR EARLIER ON 6 APRIL (FCO TELNO 99).
- 5. THE MFA HAVE CONFIRMED TO US THAT THEY ARE CONTENT WITH THE

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PM BORS Turkey Jan CONFIDENTIAL MDADAN 0478 REVISED AGENDA IN FCO TELNO 80. 6. MAY WE NOW ASSUME THAT, APART FROM THE ISTANBUL ARRANGEMENTS, THE PROGRAMMES FOR THE PRIME MINISTER AND MR THATCHER SET OUT IN MY TELNOS 143 AND 154 RESPECTIVELY ARE ACCEPTABLE? DAUNT YYYY DISTRIBUTION ADVANCE PS 4 PS MES CHALLER HD/PROTOCOL HD/SED MR POWELL, 10 DOWNING ST NNNN PAGE 2 CONFIDENTIAL

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From the Private Secretary

22 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: WORKING ACCOMMODATION

Thank you for your letter of 21 March about working accommodation during the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. I am content with the arrangements proposed.

Charles Powell

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

22 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: MR. THATCHER'S PROGRAMME

Thank you for your letter of 22 March about Mr. Thatcher's programme during the Prime Miinster's visit to Turkey.

Mr. Thatcher is abroad at present so I cannot consult him. But I am confident that he will be content with the programme arranged for 7 April, and will follow the Prime Minister's programme on 8 April.

Charles Powell

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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22 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Mr Thatcher's Programme

Ankara telno 154 (copy attached) proposes a revised programme for Mr Thatcher during the Prime Minister's day in Ankara on 7 April.

I should be grateful to learn if Mr Thatcher is happy with this. The visit to the Ivedik water treatment plant, which looks very worthwhile, replaces the AMEC item in the programme as originally drafted (the Prime Minister is now to attend a ground-breaking ceremony for AMEC's natural gas conversion project shortly before lunch). The inclusion of the visit to the British Council meets the point in the last paragraph of your letter of 15 February.

We assume that Mr Thatcher will be content to follow the Prime Minister's programme for the following day.

I am copying this letter to Alison Brimelow in the Department of Trade and Industry.

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- ARRIVE COUNSELLOR'S APARTMENT (TO MEET MEMBERS OF 1145 BRITISH BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN ANKARA OVER DRINKS) LEAVE FOR RESIDENCE 1235 JOIN MAIN PARTY FOR VISIT TO GUVERCINLIK. (SEE MY TELNO 1245 143) MR THATCHER WOULD THEN ACCOMPANY THE PRIME MINISTER ON HER PROGRAMME UP TO AND INCLUDING THE VISIT TO THE DEFENCE INDUSTRY FACTORY AT ASELSAN DEPART ASELSAN SEPARATELY FROM PRIME MINISTER 1545 ARRIVE BRITISH COUNCIL 1625 (VISIT COUNCIL OFFICES: SEE SCHOOL CHILDREN USING ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING VIDEOS TO ANKARA COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES: MEET STAFF AND A FEW BRITISH COUNCIL SCHOLARS ABOUT TO GO TO UK) . 1645 DEPART BRITISH COUNCIL ARRIVE RESIDENCE 1650 (FREE TIME) 1900 MEET BRITISH STAFF WITH PRIME MINISTER REST OF PROGRAMME WITH PRIME MINISTER
 - 2. NO FORMAL SPEECHES WOULD BE REQUIRED. GRATEFUL FOR EARLY CONFIRMATION THAT THE PROGRAMME IS ACCEPTABLE SO THAT WE CAN OFFICIALLY APPROACH THOSE SCHEDULED FOR VISITS.
 - 3. ARE ANY OF THE BRITISH PRESS LIKELY TO WISH TO ACCOMPANY MR THATCHER OR BE PRESENT FOR PARTS OF HIS SEPARATE PROGRAMME ?

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECH AT MAYOR OF ISTANBUL'S

During her visit to Turkey, the Prime Minister will speak at a lunch for businessmen given by the Mayor of Istanbul. Unlike her main speech the previous day, this one should focus on her economic philosophy and the performance of the UK economy, as well as trade between Britain and Turkey.

I attach a first draft. I am sending it to FCO/DTI/Embassy asking them to do some work on pages 12-21. Could you and Paul Gray very kindly look at the earlier bit, with an eye to filling it out and pepping it up in an interesting way. I want to put together a fresh version of the speech on Thursday evening for the weekend box.

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(C. D. POWELL)

21 March 1988

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

21 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey

As you know, the Prime Minister has agreed to record an interview with Turkish Television on Wednesday, 23 March to be broadcast shortly before her visit.

The journalist concerned, Mr Birand, suggested four areas in which he would like to question the Prime Minister. These are:

(a) bilateral relations

(b) Turkey's application to join the EC

(c) NATO

(d) East-West relations.

As agreed between the Department and Michael Bates, I enclose speaking notes covering these points together with a line on the recent meetings between the Turkish and Greek Prime Ministers, and a line to take on Cyprus.

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TURKEY: PRIME MINISTER'S INTERVIEW WITH TURKISH TELEVISION BILATERAL RELATIONS Welcome the opportunity of visiting Turkey; exciting country with great potential, a country of importance to Britain, a staunch NATO ally. Look forward to talks with Mr Ozal - an impressive politician who has a great role to play at a crucial time in Turkey's development. Applaud his economic philosophy and achievements. Applaud his determination to free the economy from over-dependence on the public sector. Nineteen eighty-eight a big year for Britain and Turkey. First official visit by serving British Prime Minister. Then President Evren's State Visit. Lots of other contacts. peoples beginning to get to know each other better. British tourists flocking to Turkey. Thousands of Britons visiting Suleyman the Magnificent Exhibition at the British Museum. Visited it myself. Really is magnificent. TRADE (If asked about Bosphorus Bridge:) Want to see British industry involved in Turkey across the board. British companies bidding for several major projects in Turkey in partnership with Turkish companies - including Bosphorus bridge. Would be delighted if proposals made by British companies accepted. My Government backing many of our companies with official aid. Pleased trade growing both directions. Your Government promoting Turkish exports to us. Turkish industrial exhibition in London in April - an excellent idea, sure will be successful. (If award of contracts linked to Turkey's EC application:) Commercial contracts should not be mixed up with political issues. British firms' bids will succeed on their merits.

TURKEY'S ROLE IN EUROPE AND NATO

No doubt that Turkey is a part of Europe. Clear from her recent history, her membership of many European and Western organisations and her extensive defence, trade and political links with Western Europe. A key member of NATO: crucial position on NATO's southern flank; long land border with Soviet Union; a vital part of the West's security as well as Turkey's own defence.

BRITISH MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY

Turkey can expect help from other members of the Alliance if she is attacked. Turkey, like all members of the NATO Alliance, must keep its defences modern and effective. The United Kingdom already devotes a higher proportion of its GNP to defence than almost any other member of NATO. We undertake many defence activities outside the NATO area, including in the Gulf. Our resources are therefore already stretched, although we have increased our defence spending by over 20% since 1979. Turkey must look primarily to other NATO members for help. But we have participated in initiatives such as the Independent European Programme Group (IEPG) to help Turkey strengthen its defence industry.

TRANSFER OF BRITISH MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

Ready to help you modernise your defence industries and sell you the defence equipment you need. That includes readiness to transfer technology. Disappointed you seem to have decided against buying some important items, such as Warrior, the best and most modern equipment available. Finance is available for defence as well as civil contracts.

DAVOS AND MEETINGS BETWEEN TURKISH AND GREEK PRIME MINISTER

Meeting at Davos between the Turkish and Greek Prime Ministers, and follow-up in Brussels, very significant steps forward. Good for the peoples of the two countries and good for the region as a whole. Good for NATO as well. Will do anything we can to help and encourage the process. Britain has close relations with both

countries. Expect Mr Ozal to bring me up to date during my visit. But the key to reconciliation between Turkey and Greece lies in direct contacts between the peoples of the two countries themselves. Encouraged to hear that Turkish and Greek businessmen are meeting in greater numbers and that trade prospects are brighter. That is a good start.

TURKISH ATTITUDE TO CYPRUS

What happens in Cyprus is a matter of very great importance to Britain. We want to see an end to the current division of the island. The subject will of course come up during my talks in Ankara. I also hope to meet President Vassiliou before long. He's a businessman - someone to do business with, I hope. Following Davos and the election of Mr Vassiliou, there seems to be renewed hope of progress and we must make the most of it. The good offices of the United Nations Secretary General remain the best route to progress. Britain is ready to help him any possible way:

TURKEY'S APPLICATION TO JOIN THE EC

Perfectly legitimate for Turkey to apply. Under the Community's rules, application referred to European Commission for an opinion. When we have that opinion the Council of Ministers will reach a decision. Meanwhile we want closer relations between Turkey and the European Community, making fuller use of the 1963 Association Agreement.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN NATO

The recent NATO Summit was a great success.

Since the last Summit in 1982, many positive developments: the INF Agreement signed; prospects for an agreement reducing the strategic nuclear weapons of the US and the Soviet Union by 50% opened up; bold reforms by Mr Gorbachev and some signs of change in the Soviet Union's external policies, notably the decision to withdraw from Afghanistan.

Against this background that NATO leaders came together, to take stock and to set guidelines for future action: They underlined the continuing vital importance of NATO for the defence of the West. They confirmed their unity and resolve in the face of Soviet attempts to separate Europe from the United States and to denuclearise Europe. They reaffirmed the validity of NATO's strategy of flexible response; and the consequent need to keep all NATO's weapons nuclear as well as conventional - up to date. This was particularly important because the Soviets have not ceased to modernise. They confirmed NATO's arms control priorities: - a START agreement - a global and verifiable ban on chemical weapons - the elimination of the enormous conventional imbalance in Europe (Warsaw Pact outnumbers NATO 3:1 in tanks and artillery, almost 2:1 in aircraft) - the real threat to stability and security in Europe. EAST/WEST RELATIONS - East/West relations in good shape. Shultz and Shevardnadze meeting this week, Moscow Summit set for May. Carlucci/Yazov meeting, Berne last week. Momentum of discussion being maintained. Own high-level dialogue excellent. - Of course fundamental differences remain, but prospects for cooperating much improved. In all our interests to take full advantage, without too many illusions. - Following Soviet reforms with much interest. Welcome steps towards freer, more humane society. But a very long way to go.

- Reaction to new-style Soviet foreign policy - cautious yet open minded approach: developments in Afghanistan encouraging, but huge, offensive Soviet military deployment and convential imbalance remains. Turkey, as immediate neighbour of Soviet Union, needs no reminding of threat this poses and of need for deeds not words.

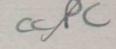
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Gorbachev's Belgrade speech on Mediterranean - Seem to have heard these proposals before. Strikes us now, as previously, as attempt to constrain freedom of movement of NATO naval operations in areas close to Soviet Union.

CONFIDENTIAL 10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA From the Private Secretary 21 March 1988 PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY The Prime Minister would like departure for her visit to Turkey brought forward by an hour so that she arrives at Ankara at 2100 on Wednesday 6 April. I should be grateful if you could ask the Ambassador to amend the programme in this sense. (Charles Powell) Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office. CONFIDENTIAL







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London SW1A 2AH 21 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Working Accommodation

We have the following recommendations to make regarding the working accommodation in Ankara and Istanbul.

Ankara

- (a) Private Offices will be set up in the Residence where the Prime Minister is staying.
- (b) A suite has been reserved in the Ankara Palas Hotel for Mr Bates for briefing the press.

Istanbul

- (a) The Turkish Government have offered to put a total of four rooms at our disposal at the Shale Köskin (Palace) where the lunch will take place. (An outline programme is attached). One of these rooms, with a telephone, could be used as the Private Office during the short stopover. Post are not recommending that the British Consulate-General be used because of the distances involved and the dense traffic. They estimate that it would take a good 30 minutes by car. The communications centre at the Consulate-General will be operating and safe-hand runs arranged as and when necessary.
- (b) the Post is looking into the possibility of providing a press centre at the Palace.

Telephones

Telephone installations and communication requirements are being dealt with by Mr C K Davies, Cabinet Office.

I should be grateful to know whether you agree with the above arrangements.

I am copying this letter to Mr Bates and Mr Davies (Cabinet Office).

(L Parker)

Private Secretary

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Yours ever before

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From the Private Secretary

21 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 18 March about the proposal that the Prime Minister should go to the War Graves Cemetery at Scutari during her visit to Turkey on 7/8 April.

I have discussed this with the Prime Minister, pointing out the additional time which such a visit would take. The Prime Minister is nonetheless determined to go. She would be prepared to begin that day much earlier, for instance leaving the Residence in Ankara at 0800 and giving a press conference at 0830 in order to leave time to visit Scutari before lunch in Istanbul. It might also be possible to drop the visit to the Municipality or, alternatively, to give a bit more time to the afternoon programme so that the Prime Minister's departure is put back by up to an hour.

I should be grateful if you could pursue this with the Embassy as soon as possible.

C D POWELL

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21 March 1988

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(Charles Powell)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA From the Private Secretary 21 March 1988 Thank you very much for your letter of 17 March about the Bosphorus Bridge. Your point is very well taken and I am sure the Prime Minister will see the Bridge during her visit to Istanbul and will be discussing the prospects of British (and Italian) companies building the third proposed bridge.

(Charles Powell)

Professor Gianfranco Gilardini.

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From the Private Secretary

21 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 21 March about the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. It has crossed with my letter about the arrangements on 8 April and will need to be amended to take account of it.

I enclose the menus marked as requested.

CHARLES POWELL

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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21 March 1988

Deer Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Travel

An RAF VC10 has been reserved for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. I would be grateful for confirmation that the timings should be as set out below. The outline programme, now agreed, is attached:

(All times local) UK = GMT + 1; Turkey = GMT + 3

Wednesday, 6 April

ETD London Heathrow (Southside)	1420
ETA Ankara (Esenboga)	2100
Flying time: 4 hours 40 minutes	
Afternoon tea and dinner to be served	

Friday, 8 April

ETD Ankara (Esenboga)	1025
ETA Istanbul	1125
Flying time: 1 hour	
Morning coffee to be served	
ETD Istanbul	1730
ETA London Heathrow (Southside)	1950
Flying time: 4 hours 20 minutes	
Drinks and dinner to be served	

I attach a selection of menus and would be grateful to know your preferences.

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(L Parker) Private Secretary

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MIPT: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

1. REVISED TURKISH PROPOSALS FOR THE PROGRAMME ARE:

6 APRIL

2200 ARRIVE ANKARA AIRPORT

MET BY TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL

2220 DEPART AIRPORT

2250 ARRIVE EMBASSY RESIDENCE

7 APRIL

0900	DEPART RESIDENCE
0915	ATATURK MAUSOLEUM
0945	DEPART MAUSOLEUM
0955	ARRIVE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
1000	OFFICIAL TALKS (ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADORS AND PRIVATE SECRETARIES ONLY)
1200	LEAVE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
1215	VISIT CANKAYA PRIMARY SCHOOL
1245	LEAVE FOR GUVERCINLIK
1305	GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR ANKARA NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION

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1340	LEAVE FOR DENETEVER (MATOR'S GOEST HOUSE)
1350	LUNCH WITH MAYOR OF ANKARA
1440	DEPART DENETEVLER
1500	ARRIVE ASELSAN
1545	DEPART ASELSAN
1625	ARRIVE CANKAYA
1630	CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN
1715	DEPART CANKAYA
1800	(UNOFFICIAL ENGAGEMENT) CALL BY OPPOSITION LEADER
1900	MEET BRITISH COMMUNITY
2015	DEPART RESIDENCE
2030	PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL'S DINNER
8 APRIL	
0900	LEAVE RESIDENCE
0930	JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AT ANKARA AIRPORT

1025 DEPART ANKARA FOR ISTANBUL

1125 ARRIVE ISTANBUL AIRPORT

MET BY GOVERNOR, MAYOR, MILITARY COMMANDER AND POLICE CHIEF

1130 DEPART ISTANBUL AIRPORT

1150 ARRIVE MUNICIPALITY

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1240 ARRIVE SHALE KIOSK

1300 MAYOR OF ISTANBUL'S LUNCH

1445 DEPART SHALE KIOSK

1500 VISIT TOPKAPI PALACE AND AYA SOFIA

1600 VISIT YENIKAPI WATER TREATMENT PLANT

1630 DEPART YENIKAPI

1640 VISIT OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT

1700 DEPART OTOKAR

1715 ARRIVE ISTANBUL AIRPORT

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1730 DEPART ISTANBUL

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(SMOKED SALMON)

TOURNEDOS CAFE DE PARÍS

SAUTE POTATOES,

PETIT POIS

SIDE SALAD (SELECTION OF DRESSINGS)

PROFITEROLES WITH CHOCOLATE SAUCE

CHEESE BISCUITS

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HOT AND COLD CANAPES

CAME GALANTINE WITH WALDORF SALAD

SUPREME OF CHICKEN PRINCESSE

PARISIENNE POTATOES

SELECTION OF FRESH SEASONAL VEGETABLES

RASPBERRY MOUSSE

CHEESE/BISCUITS

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PROPOSED MENUS FOR VC10 ASCOT 1172 PM's VISIT TO TURKEY OVER PERIOD 6 - 8 APRIL 88

HEATHROW TO ANKARA (6 APRIL)

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BABY SWEETCORN

BROCCOLI WITH HOLLANDAISE SAUCE

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

20 March 1988

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 18 March.

The Prime Minister has reflected further on whether a senior FCO official should join her party for the Turkish visit. She notes that there is to be only one session of talks, in which an official would not be able to take part. The remainder of the programme is devoted to visits and is very much a matter for the Embassy. As you know, she thinks the Embassy should be to the fore in her visits. So while grateful for the offer of support from the FCO, she has decided against it on this occasion.

The delegation for her visit is thus as set out in your letter and the protocol order for the senior members of the party is as you suggest.

C. D. POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commownealth Office.

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CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF T PRIME MINISTER VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECHES You are to make two main speeches in Turkey: the first at Mr. Ozal's dinner in your honour, the second at the lunch given by the Mayor of Istanbul. The latter will be mainly on economic and commercial issues. I attach a first draft of your speech at the dinner and would be grateful to know if it is on the right lines. If so, I will try it on the Foreign Office and the Embassy. If possible we ought to get it agreed before Easter so that it can be translated for distribution at the dinner. (C. D. POWELL) 19 March 1988

The Embassy are very reluctant to sacrifice what is already in the programme for that day to include this visit. The choices are:

- to leave the programme unchanged;
- for you to go through with the programme as planned but for Mr. Thatcher to go independently to the War Graves Cemetery and the Florence Nightingale Cemetery;
- to extend the programme in Istanbul to add visits to the Cemeteries. This could be done by leaving Ankara rather earlier and putting back some of the afternoon engagements so that you leave for London rather later. This would make for a long day in what is already a fire. crowded visit. But it is not impossible.

Could you please tick whichever of the options you would prefer?

C.D.P.

(C. D. POWELL)
19 March 1988

Friday 8 April

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- 0900 Leave Residence
- 0930 Joint Press Conference at Ankara Airport
- 1025 Depart Ankara for Istanbul
- 1125 Arrive Istanbul Airport

 Met by Governor, Mayor, Military Commander and Police
 Chief
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- 1700 Depart Otokar
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- 1730 Depart Istanbul

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PRIME MINISTER

INTERVIEW WITH THE ANATOLIAN NEWS AGENCY

You agreed to give a written interview to the Anatolian News Agency before your visit to Turkey.

I attach draft Questions and Answers for your approval.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 18 March 1988 Dear Charles, Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Programme In your letter of 16 March you asked us to consider two suggestions for the Prime Minister's programme which had been put to you by Mr Thatcher. We have consulted the Embassy in Ankara by telephone. Their advice on the idea of a visit to the War Graves Cemetery at Scutari is that this would involve a trip across the Bosphorus to the Asian side and would not be possible without an obligatory visit to the adjoining Florence Nightingale Cemetery. This exercise would take up a full two hours, ie knocking out the whole of the Istanbul programme after the Mayor's lunch. Timothy Daunt's recommendation, which we endorse, is that the Prime Minister should maintain the programme previously agreed with you, including the visit to Topkapi and the tours of the Land Rover and water treatment plants. He had in fact considered Scutari as a possible programme item at the outset, but rejected it because of the time a visit there would take out of the few hours the Prime Minister has to spare for Istanbul. It would of course be possible for Mr Thatcher to go to Scutari independently if he wishes. But, as I have already mentioned, this would take two hours, and would mean that he would miss the commercial visits. I should be grateful for your advice on this. The Embassy will do their best to ensure that the Turkpetrol representatives are included in one of the social occasions in Ankara or Istanbul. Incidentally, we have asked Timothy Daunt to let us have a telegram as soon as possible outlining the programme they have drawn up for Mr Thatcher on the basis of previous correspondence between us. (2003 End) L Parker) Private Secretary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street * Just received + advenced to form. pm tous stunces

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VISIT TO TURKEY

I attach the programme for your visit to Turkey, as it stands at present.

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(C. D. POWELL)
18 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME FOR VISIT TO TURKEY 6-8 APRIL 1988

Wednesday 6 April

1520 Depart Heathrow

2200 Arrive Ankara Airport

Met by Turkish Prime Minister and Mrs. Ozal

2220 Depart Airport

2250 Arrive Embassy Residence

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Thursday 7 April

0900 Depart Residence

0915 Ataturk Mausoleum: lay wreath

0945 Depart Mausoleum

0955 Arrive Prime Minister's Office

1000 Official Talks (accompanied by Ambassadors and Private Secretaries only)

1200 Leave Prime Minister's Office

1215 Visit Cankaya Primary School

1245 Depart

1305 Ground Breaking Ceremony for Ankara Natural Gas Distribution Plant

1340 Leave for Mayor's Guest House

1350 Lunch with Mayor of Ankara

1500 Arrive Aselsan Defence Industry Factory

1545 Depart Aselsan

1630 Call on President Evren

1715 Depart Cankaya

1800 (Unofficial Engagement) Call by Opposition Leader

1900 Meet British Community

2015 Depart Residence

2030 Prime Minister and Mrs. Ozal's Dinner (speech)

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA 18 March 1988 From the Private Secretary The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of 14 March and your very kind offer to put one of Air Europe's aircraft at her disposal during her forthcoming visit to Turkey. Much as she appreciates the offer, I regret that the Prime Minister is unable to take it up. As you know, the Prime Minister almost invariably travels by Royal Air Force aircraft for overseas visits, for reasons which will be evident, and arrangements are in hand for her to use an RAF VC 10 on this occasion. The Prime Minister has asked me to stress how grateful she is for your suggestion. She was most interested to hear of the International Leisure Group's plans to expand its activities in Turkey, and has asked me to wish the Group every success in its venture. (Charles Powell) Harry Goodman, Esq.

2007 MR. THATCHER VISIT TO TURKEY I attach your programme for the visit to Turkey as it stands at present. It does not yet include the visit to the Commonwealth War Graves cemetery at Scutari. The Embassy are working on this. (C. D. POWELL) 18 March 1988

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0945 Depart Ataturk Mausoleum

[Separate programme]

1005 Arrive Ivedik Water Treatment Plant (developed by Paterson Candy International)

1055 Depart Ivedik

1120 Arrive Ankara Business Centre (established by a Briton to provide office services to visiting British exporters)

Mr. Thatcher to open Centre

1140 Depart Ankara Business Centre

1145 Arrive Counsellor's Apartment to meet members of British business community

1235 Leave for Residence

[Rejoin Prime Minister]

1305 Ground Breaking Ceremony for Ankara Natural Gas Distribution Plant

1340 Leave for Mayor's Guest House

1350 Lunch with Mayor of Ankara

1500 Arrive Aselsan Defence Industry Factory

1545 Depart Aselsan

[Separate programme]

1625 Arrive British Council

1645 Depart British Council

1650 Arrive Residence

(Free time)

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 18 March 1988 Dear Charles, Prime Minister's visit to Turkey Thank you for your letter of 15 March concerning Mr Harry Goodman's offer to put one of Air Europe's aircraft at the Prime Minister's disposal for her visit to Turkey. As you may recall we have already had an approach about this from Mr Nirj Deva on behalf of Mr Goodman's International Leisure Group. We spoke about it on 29 February and agreed it was out of the question. David Ratford subsequently wrote to Mr Deva informing him that the Prime Minister would be unable to take up the offer. Copies of this correpsondence are enclosed. As you have suggested, we have now consulted the Cabinet Office, Department of Transport and DTI. They confirm that it is the practice of Ministers to travel at government expense, and not to take up offers such as that made by Mr Goodman. Apart from the security aspect, it would be undesirable for Ministers to be seen to favour one particular company. I enclose a draft letter for you to send to Mr Goodman. I am copying this letter and enclosure to Jenny McCusker (Department of Transport), Alison Brimelow (Department of Trade and Industry) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office). Yours ever (L Parker) Private Secretary C D Powell Esq PS/No 10 Downing Street

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Thank you for your letter of 24 February about the Prime Minister's forthcoming visit to Turkey. As I had told you when we spoke on the telephone, there were practical difficulties in your suggestion, despite its evident attractions. We have since consulted No 10 and, to my regret, I have to say that it has been confirmed that the Prime Minister will be unable to adopt your suggestion. But thank you very much for your interest.

With all parse wishers
Your Lucurly
James

D J E Ratford

c/o Hammersmith Conservative Association
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Supt Under-Secretary
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1988

24 " February

Dear David

Further to our telephone conversation, please find enclosed a recent letter I sent to Keith Speed MP who, as you know, is very interested in Turkish affairs.

Should we succeed in promoting this idea I feel that we will have achieved a great step forward in Anglo-Turkish relationships.

At the very least, should it prove impossible for the Prime Minister to travel on an Air Europe plane, then we should consider making the same point by including Harry Goodman as a member of the business entourage who will be accompanying the Prime Minister on her forthcoming trip there. Such a gesture would, I think, go down very well with the Turks.

With all good wishes,

As ever,

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The House of Commons
Westminster
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24th Feb 1988

Den Keith

It was most enjoyable talking on the phone yesterday about the PM's the belief forth coming visit to Turkey.

It is my understanding that tourism should feature in the Prime Minister's agenda as the Turks are very keen to promote greater Anglo-Turkish friendships through more personal contact between British people and Turkey.

It is in this context that the idea of the PM using a "tourist plane" on her visit emerged as a subtle but very real way of promoting an aspect of Turkish development which would be recognised as such by Ankara.

I discussed this matter in complete confidence with the largest tour operator to Turkey, the International Leisure Group (Chairman, Harry Goodman). I have obtained a resume of their activities in Turkey which I enclose herein. ILG operates Air Europe which has one of the most modern fleet of jets in Europe and they are considering lending a jet to the PM should the opportunity arise; and fix up all the necessary communication equipment, which again, the PM's Head of Security has said is technically possible.

Apart from the boost that this would give to Anglo-Turkish tourism, there would obviously be a large saving for the Prime Minister's Office budget if she does not need to use "public transport". There is a precedent for the PM travelling on a civilian aircraft, as she has flown British Airways whilst in office.

Sir Jim thinks this is a good idea, which would carry weight and goodwill with the Turks. The Turkish Ambassador was sounded out on this by Sir Anthony Kershaw privately, and while Rahmi Bey is unable to initiate such a proposal, he will, if consulted support the idea. Sir Anthony has also consulted the HM Ambassador to Turkey and a formal letter from Harry Goodman to the Prime Minister is being drafted.

However, before such a letter is sent to Charles Powell at Downing Street, I concur that Archie Hamilton's views ought to be sought and I would be very grateful if you could raise this with Archie in support of our initiative.

With many thanks and all good wishes

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Nirj Deva DL

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cc Sir James Spicer, Chairman Anglo Turkish Parliamentary Group Harry Goodman Esq, Chairman, International Leisure Group Sir Anthony Kershaw MC

'S PRESENCE IN THE TURKEY HOLIDAY MARKET

line with IIG's general philosophies and tour operating aims, the group has become the leading UK tour operator to Turkey within just 2 years of having been in the market. IIG has overtaken Surmed, the previous leader, because of our highly price-competitive and varied holiday packages. Intasun is the first major tour operator to feature Turkey as a separate brochure. This is proving very successful - at the expense of our less adventurous rivals, such as Thompsons, the major UK tour operator, who does not yet even feature Turkey in its main brochure. For the first time, holiday-makers are offered the excitement of summer's newest destination with the security of a major tour operator.

Turkey as a holiday product is of growing importance to IIG. In 1987, our first year of operation, 14 staff were based in Turkey. In 1988, 70 staff will be based there. 1987 aviation allocation for Turkey was 21,350 passengers. Contracted airline capacity for summer 1988 to Turkey is currently over 100,000 passengers. Departures are from 9 UK airports, using 8 UK carriers and one Turkish. Total beds contracted so far is nearly 10,000 (8% of all beds in Turkey). Lancaster and Intasum both now feature specialist Turkey products, while Global, Intasum and Club 18-30 feature the country in their main brochures.

After being on sale for just over a week, Intasun's "Turkey Plain and Simple" brochure had achieved massive sales so that already the company has added an additional series from Bristol Airport to Izmir, with an extra capacity of 3,500, bringing Intasun's aviation capacity to 53,500 for the summer. Intasun is offering all types of accommodation and board, and a varied selection of holiday types, from cruising and fly-drive to 21-night stays and 2-centre holidays. 11 resorts are offered with departures from all 9 UK airports. A total of 2,000 beds have been contracted for the "Turkey Plain and Simple" programme, while a further 1,300 beds are offered in Intasun's main brochure. Prices start from £89, and sales are presently running at 45% to 70%. This compares with a total of 5,694 holidays sold by Intasun to Turkey in 1987.

Lancaster Holidays' specialist brochure "Travel Turkey" first came on sale for summer 1987. 11,000 holidays were planned but 15,000 eventually sold. 2 UK departure airports were featured, to 4 resorts. For summer 1988, a third edition of the brochure has already been distributed, sales being anticipated to increase by 200% to 45,000. At present, 11% of all bookings at Lancaster are for Turkey. Ten departure points are featured, and 16 resorts. Accommodation has been increased substantially, both in quantity (5,000 beds) and variety. The range of holiday types has also been extended to give a very large variation in packages offered. Pre-bookable excursions are available at prices 10% cheaper than could be gained by the client independently. Sales for 1989 are expected to rise by approximately 50% to 65,000 - 70,000.

Club 18-30 and Global are featuring Turkey this summer and have 1,330 beds contracted so far. This compares with approximately 120 beds in 1987!

IIG also sells around £30 per head of excursions in Turkey, totalling £3 million. These are varied, ranging from cruises to archaeological sites. They sell well and are organised by IIG, although an agent supplies the guides.

Intasun Skyworld, our seat-only sales specialist, sold 800 seats to Turkey in 1987. For 1988 this is predicted to be 5,000. Air Europe is flying 9 Boeing 737-300 and 12 Boeing 757 - 2 each week during summer 1988 to 4 destination airports in Turkey. This would indicate a capacity of 4,000 passengers per week, a total of 104,000 for the summer season.

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

18 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: SPEECHES

Before I forget: the Prime Minister will want four or five sentences of Turkish to distribute between her two speeches. I should be grateful if the Department could send me some samples.

(C. D. POWELL

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

PRIME MINISTER RETURN FROM TURKEY You are due to fly into Heathrow late in the evening of Friday 8 April. Would you like to go straight to Chequers, or would you prefer to come back to No. 10 and go to Chequers on Saturday morning? Tessa Gaisman 18 March 1988

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His Ex. the Ambassador
Charles Powell Esq.
11, Roland Way (Mews)
SW7 LONDON
GREAT BRITAIN

Rome, March 17th 1988

- Dear Charles,

Dr. William Brown (Queen Engineer) designed the first Bosphorus Bridge and the second one (which is in a finishing stage these months) and has been asked to design the third one.

I know him since 20 years and everybody in the scientific world considers him one of the best engineers on suspended bridges, because he discovered the system to built them using his theory "strengthening - through shape" generally known as the "British school".

Myself I have chosen him as the first consultant from the beginning of our study and he will be a member of our project team.

Regarding the construction of the Bosphorus Bridge no. II, Dr Brown has also directed the construction (unfortunately with Japanese contractors, due only to the favorable financial conditions they offered to the Turkish Government) in a record



STRETTO DI MESSINA SPA

time of 2 years and a half (saving more than 8 months) at an incredible low price thanks to a purely intelligent design.

The Japanese Establishment will consider the bridge as a great achievement for their steel industry, and 50 important politicians and Government representatives will come to Istambul at the end of April to open an advertising campaign, naturally to gain the public favour in order to prevail at the tender for the third bridge contract.

But on this occasion also British contractors and steel an cable industries (it seems with a grant of 15 million pounds from the British Government and perhaps with an Italian contractor and a financial help) will introduce their offer basing themselves particularly on Dr. Brown notoriety.

If you pass through Istambul, why don't go to see the Bridge and help the British cause?

Dr Brown will be very happy to arrange a visit of the bridge any time you like (You will find attached a copy of Dr. Brown reference).

With best regards

Your's sincerely

STRETTO DI MESSINA S. p. A. L'Amministratore Delegato (G. D. Gilardini)

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From the Private Secretary

17 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

Thank you for your letter of 17 March enclosing revised proposals for the Prime Minister's programme in Turkey. I am content with these, subject to the possible inclusion of the Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery at Scutari, about which I wrote to you yesterday. I should be grateful if the DTI would draft a short speech for the ground-breaking ceremony at the Ankara Natural Gas distribution project.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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London SW1A 2AH

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17 March 1988

Jear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Programme

You will have seen from Ankara telnos 142 and 143 (copies enclosed) that Mr Ozal has proposed some late amendments to the programme which we agreed with you recently.

We and the DTI support the proposed inclusion of the ground-breaking ceremony for the Ankara Natural Gas distribution project. The PR advantages for HMG, British industry in general, and AMEC in particular are obvious. It would mean a third, although very brief, speech. The DTI are ready to provide a suitable text. The revised arrangements for lunch in Ankara appear acceptable. We are pursuing separately the question of a gift for the Mayor of Ankara, in the event that the Prime Minister accepts the revisions to her programme.

We see no problems over cancelling the interview with Turkish Television, originally proposed for the early evening of 7 April. The station will have broadcast shortly before the Prime Minister's visit the interview she is to record for them next week. Moreover, as Timothy Daunt says, there will be mass television coverage of the visit in Turkey anyway.

The revised arrangements proposed for Istanbul do not affect the substance of the programme, but we are looking into the logistics separately.

Yours ever

(L Parker)

Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

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MIPT: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

1. REVISED TURKISH PROPOSALS FOR THE PROGRAMME ARE:

6 APRIL

2200 ARRIVE ANKARA AIRPORT

MET BY TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL

2220 DEPART AIRPORT

2250 ARRIVE EMBASSY RESIDENCE

7 APRIL

0900 DEPART RESIDENCE

0915 ATATURK MAUSOLEUM

0945 DEPART MAUSOLEUM

0955 ARRIVE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

1000 OFFICIAL TALKS (ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADORS AND PRIVATE

SECRETARIES ONLY)

1200 LEAVE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

1215 VISIT CANKAYA PRIMARY SCHOOL

1245 LEAVE FOR GUVERCINLIK

1305 GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR ANKARA NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION

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1340	LEAVE FOR DENETEVLER (MAYOR'S GUEST HOUSE)	
1350	LUNCH WITH MAYOR OF ANKARA	
1440	DEPART DENETEVLER	
1500	ARRIVE ASELSAN	
1545	DEPART ASELSAN	
1625	ARRIVE CANKAYA	
1630	CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN	
1715	DEPART CANKAYA	
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1900	MEET BRITISH COMMUNITY -	
2015	DEPART RESIDENCE	
2030	PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL'S DINNER	

8 APRIL

0900	LEAVE RESIDENCE
0930	JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AT ANKARA AIRPORT
1025	DEPART ANKARA FOR ISTANBUL
1125	ARRIVE ISTANBUL AIRPORT
	MET BY GOVERNOR, MAYOR, MILITARY COMMANDER AND POLICE CHIEF
1130	DEPART ISTANBUL AIRPORT
1150	ARRIVE MUNICIPALITY

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TO IMMEDIATE FCO

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YOUR TEL NO 73: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

- 1. THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER ACCEPTS THE REVISED PROPOSALS IN MY TELEGRAM NO 113 BUT CONSIDERS TIMINGS TOO TIGHT. MEANWHILE HE HIMSELF HAS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE PROGRAMME. FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE AMEC DOLLARS 130 MILLION CONTRACT FOR THE FIRST PHASE OF CONVERTING ANKARA TO NATURAL GAS, THE TURKS WANT THE PRIME MINISTER TO BE PRESENT, TOGETHER WITH OZAL, AT THE GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY. THIS WILL BE AT A SITE NEAR ANKARA AND NEAR THE ASELSAN FACTORY.
- 2. THE AMEC CONTRACT, WHICH IS ATP SUPPORTED, IS AN IMPORTANT ACHIEVEMENT FOR BRITI-SH INDUSTRY. IT SEEMS IDEAL, IF LATE, FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROGRAMME. THE SITE IS NOT ATTRACTIVE BUT THE TURKS SAY IT WILL BE SMARTENED UP AND A TENT ERECTED. THE PROCEEDINGS WOULD LAST THIRTY MINUTES, INVOLVING SHORT SPEECHES BY THE MAYOR OF ANKARA, THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER, WITH MANY OF THE CABINET PRESENT. THE TURKS SUGGEST THAT A FIVE MINUTE SPEECH BY THE PRIME MINISTER WELCOMING THIS MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT BY A BRITISH COMPANY, SUPPORTED BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, IN AN ENTERPRISE WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY TRANSFORM THE WINTER ENVIRONMENT OF THE TURKISH CAPITAL WOULD BE SUITABLE.
- THE MAYOR OF ISTANBUL WANTS TO GIVE HIS LUNCH ON 8 APRIL AT THE SHALE KIOSK, PART OF THE YILDIZ OTTOMAN PALACE. IT IS VERY GRAND AND WOULD BE A MUCH MORE GLITTERING AFFAIR THAN THE AMERICANISED SHERATON HOTEL. A ROOM FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S USE AND TWO ROOMS FOR PRIVATE OFFICE AND COMMUNICATIONS, COMPLETE WITH AT LEAST TWO TELEPHONE LINES, ARE PROMISED. FROM THE SECURITY POINT OF VIEW, IT SHOULD BE BETTER AN ENCLOSED AREA NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT THE TIME, RATHER THAN A MAJOR HOTEL.
- 4. I RECOMMEND ACCEPTANCE OF THE REVISED TURKISH PROPOSALS, WHICH WILL INVOLVE CANCELLING MY PRIVATE LUNCHEON FOR THE PRIME MINISTER (A PITY BUT DISPENSIBLE) AND THE TRT TELEVISION INTERVIEW ON 7 APRIL (ALSO DISPENSIBLE SINCE THERE WILL BE MASS TELEVISION COVERAGE AND, IN EFFECT, INTERVIEWS ON ARRIVAL LATE 6 APRIL AND AT

PAGE 1 CONFIDENTIAL THE JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE ON 8 APRIL). MIFT CONTAINS THE REVISED PROGRAMME PROPOSED BY THE TURKISH SIDE. I AM TO CALL ON THE DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL 171300Z. AT LEAST INITIAL REACTIONS BY THAT TIME WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

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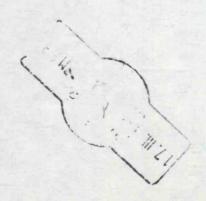
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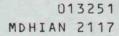
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1300 MAYOR OF ISTANBUL'S LUNCH

1445 DEPART SHALE KIOSK

1500 VISIT TOPKAPI PALACE AND AYA SOFIA

1600 VISIT YENIKAPI WATER TREATMENT PLANT

1630 DEPART YENIKAPI

VISIT OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT 1640

DEPART OTOKAR 1700

1715 ARRIVE ISTANBUL AIRPORT

> SEEN OFF BY GOVERNOR, MAYOR, MILITARY COMMANDER AND POLICE CHIEF

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Ref. A088/901 MR POWELL CIO 17/3 Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey Sir Robin Butler has seen your letter of 15 March to Tony Galsworthy. He was surprised that the inquiry contained therein was not directed at the Cabinet Office, as it relates primarily to the application of the provisions of Questions of Procedure for Ministers. Paragraph 55 of Questions of Procedure for Ministers explains that "in order to avoid the risk of misinterpretation, Ministers should not normally accept offers of free travel from foreign Governments, or other organisations." Sir Robin Butler sees no reason to depart from this general injuction in this case. Towa Woolling T A WOOLLEY 17 March 1988

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From the Private Secretary

16 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

I wonder if you could ask the Embassy to look urgently at two suggestions for the programme of the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey which have been put to me by Mr. Thatcher. They are:

- the Prime Minister should visit the War Graves cemetery at Scutari. The Prime Minister would, I am sure, wish to do this if at all possible. I am sorry that we did not think of it before;
- Mr. Thatcher would be very grateful if representatives of a firm called Turkpetrol could be included in any social occasion where he might have a chance to meet them. The two names given to me are Mr. Mithat Ogderen and Mr. Ahmet Aydian Bolak. I understand that Turkpetrol has links or dealings with Castrol with which Mr. Thatcher used to be associated.

Perhaps you could put these two points to the Embassy in Ankara by telegram.

CHARLES POWELL

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

15 March 1988

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Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Speeches

As requested in your letter of March, I enclose drafts for the speeches the Prime Minister is to make at:

- (a) Mr Ozal's dinner in Ankara on 7 April; and
- (b) the Mayor of Istanbul's lunch on 8 April.

As agreed, we have left room at the end of the draft Istanbul speech for you to add a paragraph or two on the Prime Minister's approach to government and economic management.

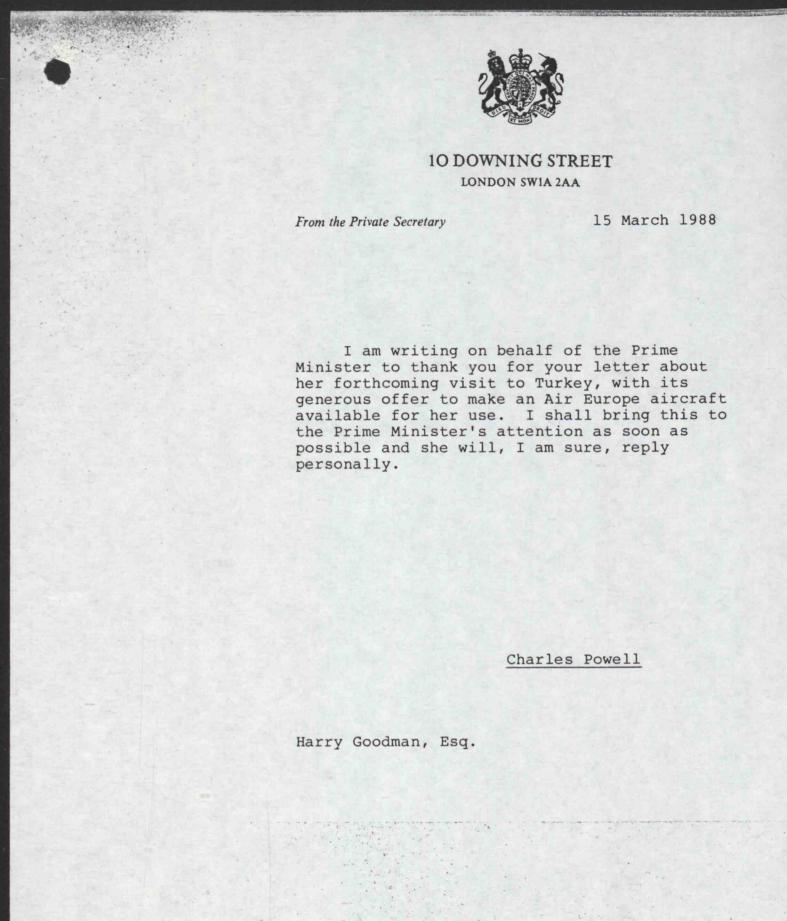
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(L Parker) Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

be: PC 10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA 15 March 1988 From the Private Secretary PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY I enclose a copy of a letter to the Prime Minister from Mr. Harry Goodman, Chairman of International Leisure Group, offering to put one of Air Europe's aircraft at her disposal for her visit to Turkey, free of charge. The purpose is clearly to advertise Air Europe's role in tourist traffic with Turkey. Generous as the offer is, I take the view that it would probably not be right for the Prime Minister to accept it because Air Europe is only one of several British companies flying to Turkey, and on security grounds. But I would be grateful if the Department could co-ordinate some rapid advice, consulting the Cabinet Office, Department of Transport and DTI. I am copying this letter and enclosure to Jenny McCusker (Department of Transport), Alison Brimelow (Department of Trade and Industry) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office). Charles Powell A. C. Galsworthy, Esq., C.M.G., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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14th March 1988

The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher FRS MP 10 Downing Street London SW1 R 14/3

Dear Prime Minister

YOUR FORTHCOMING VISIT TO TURKEY

As you may know, International Leisure Group, through its tour operating companies: Intasun, Lancaster and Global; sends more than twice as many people on holiday to Turkey than any other tour operator in the world, and in the current year we expect to provide holidays in Turkey for more than 100,000 people. Many of these passengers will travel on our own airline, Air Europe.

This sector of trade between Britain and Turkey is, of course, of benefit to both countries, and we understand that tourism is regarded by the Turkish Government as of great importance to the future development of their economy. In addition, it provides an opportunity for large numbers of British people to visit a country which, though very important to Britain, is still little known or understood by our people.

It has occurred to us that you would wish to give your support to this sector of trade between the two countries, and we thought that it would be very good for the image of the industry, in both Britain and Turkey, if you were to travel to and from Turkey by the same airline as many British tourists.

We understand that, although it is normal for you to travel in an RAF aircraft, precedent does exist for you to use a British civil aircraft. We understand that this idea has been favourably received by Sir James Spicer MP, Chairman of the Anglo Turkish Parliamentary Group, Keith Speed RD MP, Chairman of the Anglo Turkish-Cyprus Parliamentary Group, Sir Anthony Kershaw, former chairman of the House of Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, and HE the Turkish Ambassador.

We are therefore delighted to be able to place at your disposal one of Air Europe's new aircraft, powered by Rolls Royce engines, for the exclusive use of yourself and your party for the purpose of your visit to Turkey at no cost to public funds.

- 2 -We are aware that special communications equipment would be needed, and we would be happy to afford all necessary facilities for its installation, and for such security arrangements as may be necessary. We are also aware that it may be necessary for the aircraft to be made available 24 hours before departure and to remain on call in Turkey for your use at any time. We look forward to hearing from you, and do hope that we may have the honour of carrying you on this important visit. Yours sincerely HARRY GOODMAN Chairman cc: The Hon Archibald Hamilton MP R C D Powell Esq Private Secretary to the Prime Minister

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

9th March, 1988.

Year Charles.

athar Thank you for your letter of 8th March, which I have laid before The Queen. Her Majesty has been pleased to give her approval to the Prime Minister's proposed absence from the country from 6th to 8th April and on 20th April.

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8 March 1988

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Dear Charles,

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Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Third Bosphorus Bridge

I had hoped by now to be in a position to let you have a fully argued note in response to your letter of 25 February about the handling of Cleveland Bridge and Engineering's efforts to secure the contract for a third Bosphorus bridge in the context of the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. Officials of the FCO, Treasury and DTI have already put a lot of time and effort into production of such a note. But the question of how much ECGD cover will be available for this and other projects in which British firms are interested is clearly crucial. We cannot give a definitive answer until the current Market Review initiated by ECGD is completed. This is now before EGC, but the process will not be complete until next week.

In the meantime your Press Office will wish to have a steer on how to handle enquiries. Our advice, with which DTI and Treasury officials agree, is that we should make clear that Bosphorus III is only one among several projects in which British firms have an interest, in both the civil and defence fields; that the Prime Minister will be batting for British industry in general and will use her visit to support their efforts to achieve an increase in our exports to Turkey across the board; and that we see no linkage at all between British interest in Bosphorus III and other projects and Turkey's application for membership of the European Community (a point which has been a feature of advance Turkish media comment on the visit). I hope that your press people will find this line adequate, pending the full briefing we shall send you in the course of next week.

I am copying this letter to Alison Brimelow (Department of Trade and Industry) and to Alex Allan (HM Treasury).

(L Parker)

Private Secretary

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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

8 March 1988

The Prime Minister intends to visit
Turkey on 6-8 April and Italy for the
Anglo-Italian Summit on 20 April. I should
be grateful if you would seek The Queen's
permission for the Prime Minister to be absent
from the country on these dates.

(Charles Powell)

Robert Fellowes, Esq., CB, LVO

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From the Private Secretary

8 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 8 March about the agenda for the Prime Minister's talks with the Turkish Prime Minister.

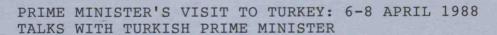
This is rather more elaborate than the Prime Minister is used to and a particularly Turkocentric list of subjects. But I agree that it covers the main areas which I am sure the Prime Minister will wish to touch on in her talks with Mr. Ozal and will also be a useful guide for briefing.

(C.D. POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 8 March 1988 Jear Charles, Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey I attach a draft agenda for the Prime Minister's talks with Mr Ozal in Ankara on 7 April. This has been cleared within the FCO and with interested Whitehall departments. It is also in line with the Turks' own proposals. You should be aware that the Turks would like discussion of East-West relations to include the treatment of the ethnic Turkish minority in Bulgaria. We can accept this. I should be grateful to know if the Prime Minister would be content with the draft agenda. It would also be helpful to know your deadline for receipt of briefing. Conferer, (L Parker) Private Secreary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street



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- 1. Bilateral
 - a. Political
 - b. Economic and commercial
- 2. Multilateral ___
 - a. Turkey and NATO
 - b. Turkey and the WEU
 - c. Turkey-EC relations
- 3. East-West relations
- 4. Regional questions
 - a. Cyprus and Turkish-Greek relations
 - b. Arab-Israel and the Occupied Ferritories
 - c. Iran-Iraq conflict and the Gulf



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10 DOWNING STREET LONDON SWIA 2AA

From the Private Secretary

8 March 1988

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

Thank you for your letter of 8 March about the revised proposals for the Prime Minister's programme in Istanbul on the afternoon of 8 April. I agree that the Prime Minister should visit both the euphemistically named Yenikapi treatment plant (sewage works to the layman) and the Otokar Land Rover assembly plant before returning to London.

(C.D. POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office London SW1A 2AH 8 March 1988 Doer Charles, Prime Minister's visit to Turkey: Programme Further to my letter of 2 March, you will have seen Timothy Daunt's revised proposals for the programme in Istanbul in the afternoon of 8 April (Ankara telno 113 copy attached). I hope that you can agree that the Prime Minister should take in both the Land Rover assembly plant and the Yenikapi treatment plant. A visit to the first would be a very visible demonstration of British involvement in a lively sector at a time when the return of Rover to private ownership is again a domestic issues. As it happens, Rover are already aware that the plant may be included in the Prime Minister's itinerary, and have assured DTI that there will be no problem over supplies to it from the UK even if the present industrial dispute drags on for a while. The second would also be highly visible and, while we can agree with your view that the British investment in the Yenikapi plant is not that high, a visit there would offer an example of the variety of our commercial interests in Turkey. Both tours would be convenient from the point of view of logistics, fitting well into the route Sheraton - Topkapi - Airport. jours ever, Private Secretary C D Powell Esq 10 Downing Street

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MY TELNO 109: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME which care I should be a should

1. I HAVE NOW RECEIVED A REPORT FROM ISTANBUL ON ALTERNATIVES
FOR THE AFTERNOON OF 8 APRIL IN ISTANBUL.

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- 2. THE ONLY OTHER PLANT WHICH IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT IS THE OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT (WHICH ALSO PRODUCES BUSES WITH A SIGNIFICANT BRITISH CONTENT). THE ASSEMBLY PROCESS LOOKS REASONABLY IMPRESSIVE. THE METAL GRID STAIRS AND WALKWAYS IN THE FACTORY (PROVIDED THEY ARE ADEQUATELY BOARDED) WOULD BE NEGOTIABLE BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND HER PARTY, AND THE BRITISH ASPECT IS FULLY VISIBLE. A FURTHER REASON FOR INCLUDING OTOKAR IS THAT THE PUBLICITY WOULD HELP LAND ROVER IN THEIR BID TO OBTAIN MAJOR ORDERS THIS YEAR FROM THE TURKISH GENDARMARIE AND THE ARMED FORCES.
- 3. HAVING DISCUSSED THE OPTIONS WITH ISTANBUL, I RECOMMEND THAT WE INCLUDE THE LAND ROVER VISIT AS WELL AS, NOT INSTEAD OF, THE YENIKAPI TREATMENT PLANT. THERE ARE GOOD REASONS FOR GOING AHEAD WITH THIS VISIT (PARA 3 OF TUR) AND THE CLEAN-UP OF THE ISTANBUL WATERWAYS IS CLOSE TO DALAN'S HEART. THE LAND ROVER PLANT IS IN THE SAME BROAD AREA AS YENIKAPI (IE CONVENIENT FOR THE AIRPORT) AND COULD BE SQUEEZED IN WITHOUT DELAYING THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTURE, BY:
- (A) SHORTENING THE LUNCH ENGAGEMENT BY 15 MINUTES, WHICH MAKES SENSE IF THE PRIME MINISTER IS TO MAKE A SHORTER SPEECH SEE TUR SEMI-CLN AND
- (B) ALLOWING 15 RATHER THAN 30 MINUTES FOR THE DRIVE FROM THE SHERATON TO THE TOPKAPI WITH MAYOR DALAN. (THIS TOO MAKES SENSE IF, AS I UNDERSTAND, NO 10 WOULD PREFER THE WALK-ABOUT TO BE AFTER THE VISIT TO THE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ANKARA RATHER THAN ON THE GALATA BRIDGE.
- 4. ON THIS BASIS, THE AFTERNOON PROGRAMME WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

1300 LUNCH AT SHERATON HOTEL

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DEPART FOR TOKPAI PALACE 1430

1445-1545 VISIT TOPKAPI AND AYA SOFIA

VISIT YENIKAPI TREATMENT PLANT 1600

LEAVE FOR OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT 1620

1630-1650 TOUR FACTORY

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From the Private Secretary

7 March 1988

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey

I have consulted the Prime Minister on the matter of a possible speech in Istanbul on the second day of her visit to Turkey. The Prime Minister agrees somewhat reluctantly to take this on provided that it is understood that it would be a speech of only some 12-15 minutes. I will put together some material here on the Prime Minister's approach to government and economic management and will leave it to you to produce material on our economic and commercial relations with Turkey.

I should be grateful for this, together with a speech at the dinner in Ankara, not later than 16 March.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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PRIME MINISTER

YOUR VISIT TO TURKEY

During your visit to Turkey you will of course have to give a speech at the dinner which Prime Minister Ozal will give in your honour on the first night.

The Embassy have proposed that you should give a further speech at the lunch which the Mayor of Istanbul is giving in your honour the following day. It will be attended by a large number of influential Turkish businessmen. The Embassy say that the speech would need to deal with your approach to government and economic management as well as on economic and commercial relations with Turkey. They envisage a speech of some 12-13 minutes.

I do not think that the second speech would require much original work and we could probably assemble a very respectable draft drawing on recent major speeches which you have given on economic and domestic matters (eg. the Lord Mayor's Banquet speech).

Agree to give this second speech?

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C. D. POWELL 4 March 1988

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London SW1A 2AH

2 March 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey

I attach copies of an exchange of telegrams with the Ambassador in Ankara following your letter of 25 February about outstanding points in the Prime Minister's programme for Turkey.

Mr Daunt points up the difficulty we would face in trying to get out of the lunch which the Mayor of Instanbul is to host; and indeed demonstrates that there would be no alternative which could bring the Prime Minister into contact with so many leaders of Turkish business. He also makes a good case for some sort of speech at that lunch. But we can see that the drafting presents problems. If it would help, I would suggest that the bulk of the drafting (60-70 per cent), dealing with the economic and commercial links between Britain and Turkey, with a plug for the sectors here with most potential business in Turkey, could be done by the FCO in conjunction with the DTI and other interested departments. This would leave a relatively small chunk - on the Prime Minister's approach to government and economic management, as Mr Daunt suggests - to be added by No 10. The Prime Minister might at the end of the speech invite questions from her high-powered audience to fill up the balance of the time available. If you agree, I should be grateful if you would let me know your deadline for receipt of a draft.

We can look at the balance of the programme for Istanbul when we receive the further report promised in Mr Daunt's telno 109.

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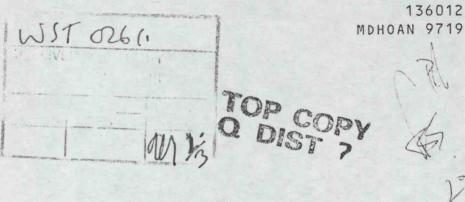
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YOUR TELS 83 AND 92: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

- 1. NUMBER 10 ARE CONTENT WITH THE REVISED ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FIRST DAY IN ANKARA, WHICH MAY NOW BE REGARDED AS FIRM. THEY UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEMS WITH A WALKABOUT AND AGREE THAT THIS SHOULD BE LEFT TO BE DECIDED ON THE SPOT.
- 2. HOWEVER THEY HAVE 2 RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE CONTENT OF THE PROGRAMME FOR ISTANBUL. FIRST, THEY DO NOT/NOT SEE A REQUIRE-MENT FOR A SECOND MAJOR SPEECH DURING THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT. HER INTERVIEWS WITH THE TURKISH PRESS AND TELEVISION BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM LONDON WILL HAVE GIVEN HER AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET OVER THE MAIN POINTS OF THE SORT OF SPEECH YOU DISCUSSED WITH HENDERSON, SED, DURING HIS FAMILIARISATION VISIT. NUMBER 10 HAVE THEREFORE ASKED US TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES. GIVEN THAT WE MAY NOW BE COMMITTED TO A LUNCH HOSTED BY THE MAYOR OF ISTANBUL, ONE MIGHT BE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO MAKE SOME BRIEF REMARKS (GRATITUDE FOR THE MAYOR'S HOSPITALITY, OBEISANCE TO ISTANBUL'S PLACE AS THE BUSINESS CAPITAL OF TURKEY, ETC) AND THEN INVITE HER AUDIENCE TO PUT QUESTIONS TO HER. GRATEFUL FOR YOUR VIEWS ON WHETHER THIS WOULD BE MANAGEABLE. IF WE ARE NOT IN FACT COMMITTED TO THAT LUNCH, ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO USE THE TIME TO MAKE ADDITIONAL VISITS OR TO MEET MORE PEOPLE. BUT CLEARLY THERE WOULD STILL BE A REQUIREMENT FOR A LUNCH OF SOME SORT. PERHAPS A STAND UP BUFFET OR RECEPTION WITH A SIMILAR GUEST LIST TO THAT PROPOSED FOR THE MORE FORMAL MEAL, GIVING THE PRIME MINISTER THE OPPORTUNITY TO CIRCULATE AND HOLD CONVERSATIONS WITH INDIVIDUAL OR GROUPS OF BUSINESSMEN, WOULD FIT THE BILL. GRATEFUL FOR YOUR URGENT VIEWS.
- 3. SECONDLY, NUMBER 10 HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT MAKING A VISIT TO THE SEWAGE PLANT THE HIGH POINT OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S AFTERNOON PROGRAMME. THEY COMMENT THAT THE BRITISH INVESTMENT DOES NOT SEEM TO BE THAT BIG AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS. WE UNDERSTAND THE LIMITS OF TIME AND DISTANCE WITHIN WHICH A PROGRAMME FOR THE AFTERNOON HAS

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YOUR TEL NO 62: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY:

PROGRAMME

- 1. IT WOULD INDEED BY VERY DIFFICULT AT THIS STAGE TO GET OUT OF MAYOR DALAN'S LUNCH. IN ANY CASE I RECOMMEND AGAINST TRYING, AS IT WILL OFFER THE OPPORTUNITY, WHICH NO ALTERNATIVE COULD DO AT ALL ADEQUATELY, OF CONTACT WITH THE TOP HAMPER OF THE TURKISH BUSINESS COMMUNITY. WHILST I APPRECIATE NO 10'S RESERVATIONS ABOUT A SECOND MAJOR SPEECH, SOME SORT OF SPEECH AT LUNCH SEEMS INESCAPABLE. IN FACT, THE SPEECH AT OZAL'S DINNER ON 7 APRIL IS ONLY SUPPOSED TO LAST 8 MINUTES AND MUST CERTAINLY NOT EXCEED TEN. IT SHOULD, IN OUR VIEW, DEAL NECESSARILY BRIEFLY WITH BILATERAL RELATIONS, EC/TURKEY, AND TURKEY AND BRITAIN IN NATO. THIS LEAVES AN OPPORTUNITY ON 8 APRIL, TO THE MAJOR BUSINESS AUDIENCE, FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL LINKS, AND ABOUT HER OWN APPROACH TO GOVERNMENT AND ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT - SUBJECT IN WHICH, AS I EXPLAINED TO CHARLES POWELL ON 23 FEBRUARY, THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF INTEREST HERE. IF NO 10, UNDERSTANDABLY ENOUGH, DO NOT WANT THIS TO BE A FULL LENGTH SPEECH, I SUGGEST THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD SPEAK FOR 10-15 MINUTES ON THESE THEMES. SHE MIGHT THEN TAKE SOME 20 MINUTES OF QUESTION AND ANSWER. THIS WOULD MEAN THE TWO SPEECHES TOGETHER TOTALLING 20-25 MINUTES.
- 2. I AM NOT ATTRACTED BY THE OTHER ALTERNATIVE IN YOUR PARA 2: A STAND-UP BUFFET OR RECEPTION WOULD
 - (A) MEAN DRASTICALLY ALTERING DALAN'S LUNCH PLANS,
- (B) BE VERY LIKELY TO DEGENERATE INTO A SCRUM, RATHER THAN A WORTHWHILE OCCASION FOR THE PRIME MINISTER. CONTROL OF THE PRESS IN PARTICULAR WOULD CAUSE PROBLEMS.
- 3. ON PARA 3 OF TUR, ISTANBUL ARE TODAY VISTING ALTERNATIVE SITES. POSSIBLES INCLUDE THE OTOSAN (FORD) PLANT (WHICH RECEIVES

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COMPONENTS FROM DAGENHAM) AND THE SOMEWHAT RUDIMENTARY LANDROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT (WHICH RUNS THE DANGER OF BEING SHUT DOWN IN APRIL IF THE CURRENT STRIKE IN BRITAIN CONTINUES) HAVING LOOKED AT THE YENIKAPI TREATMENT PLANT WITH THE NO 10 RECCE TEAM, WE CONTINUE TO THINK THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR A VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER, AND COULD CERTAINLY BE PRESENTED AS A VISIT TO A WATER TREATMENT PLANT WITH AN INTEGRAL ROLE IN THE CLEANING UP OF THE GOLDEN HORN/BOSPHORUS, RATHER THAN AS A MERE SEWAGE PLANT. I SHALL OFFER A MORE CONSIDERED VIEW ON 2 MARCH WHEN ISTANBUL HAVE EXAMINED THE ALTERNATIVES

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MY TELNO 109: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY: PROGRAMME

- 1. I HAVE NOW RECEIVED A REPORT FROM ISTANBUL ON ALTERNATIVES FOR THE AFTERNOON OF 8 APRIL IN ISTANBUL.
- 2. THE ONLY OTHER PLANT WHICH IT WOULD BE FEASIBLE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT IS THE OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT (WHICH ALSO PRODUCES BUSES WITH A SIGNIFICANT BRITISH CONTENT). THE ASSEMBLY PROCESS LOOKS REASONABLY IMPRESSIVE. THE METAL GRID STAIRS AND WALKWAYS IN THE FACTORY (PROVIDED THEY ARE ADEQUATELY BOARDED) WOULD BE NEGOTIABLE BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND HER PARTY, AND THE BRITISH ASPECT IS FULLY VISIBLE. A FURTHER REASON FOR INCLUDING OTOKAR IS THAT THE PUBLICITY WOULD HELP LAND ROVER IN THEIR BID TO OBTAIN MAJOR ORDERS THIS YEAR FROM THE TURKISH GENDARMARIE AND THE ARMED FORCES.
- 3. HAVING DISCUSSED THE OPTIONS WITH ISTANBUL, I RECOMMEND THAT WE INCLUDE THE LAND ROVER VISIT AS WELL AS, NOT INSTEAD OF, THE YENIKAPI TREATMENT PLANT. THERE ARE GOOD REASONS FOR GOING AHEAD WITH THIS VISIT (PARA 3 OF TUR) AND THE CLEAN-UP OF THE ISTANBUL WATERWAYS IS CLOSE TO DALAN'S HEART. THE LAND ROVER PLANT IS IN THE SAME BROAD AREA AS YENIKAPI (IE CONVENIENT FOR THE AIRPORT) AND COULD BE SQUEEZED IN WITHOUT DELAYING THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTURE, BY:
- (A) SHORTENING THE LUNCH ENGAGEMENT BY 15 MINUTES, WHICH MAKES SENSE IF THE PRIME MINISTER IS TO MAKE A SHORTER SPEECH SEE TUR SEMI-CLN AND
- (B) ALLOWING 15 RATHER THAN 30 MINUTES FOR THE DRIVE FROM THE SHERATON TO THE TOPKAPI WITH MAYOR DALAN. (THIS TOO MAKES SENSE IF, AS I UNDERSTAND, NO 10 WOULD PREFER THE WALK-ABOUT TO BE AFTER THE VISIT TO THE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN ANKARA RATHER THAN ON THE GALATA BRIDGE.
- 4. ON THIS BASIS, THE AFTERNOON PROGRAMME WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

1300 LUNCH AT SHERATON HOTEL

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1430 DEPART FOR TOKPAI PALACE

1445-1545 VISIT TOPKAPI AND AYA SOFIA

1600 VISIT YENIKAPI TREATMENT PLANT

1620 LEAVE FOR OTOKAR LAND ROVER ASSEMBLY PLANT

1630-1650 TOUR FACTORY

1700 ARRIVE ISTANBUL AIRPORT

1715 TAKE OFF

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From the Private Secretary

25 February 1988

Dear dyh.

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 25 February about the programme for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. I agree that the programme is now in a very acceptable shape. I understand the problems with a walkabout and agree that we should leave this to be decided on the spot. I do, however, still have reservations about making a visit to a sewerage plant the high point of the Prime Minister's afternoon programme in Istanbul. The British investment does not seem to be that big. Can we really not find somthing more salubrious?

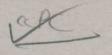
I am not at all sure that the Prime Minister has a burning ambition to convert an Istanbul audience to her politico/economic philosophy (to use your phrase) and I rather wonder whether the impact of a speech on this theme would warrant the amount of effort which would have to go into it. Her press and television interviews before departure will anyway be an opportunity to get over the main points. One possible alternative would be to get the audience to put questions to the Prime Minister. Another would be to use the time to make additional visits or to meet more people. In short, I am rapidly going off the idea of a speech in Istanbul and would be grateful if you could think of alternative ways of using the time.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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25 February 1988

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's visit to Turkey

Ankara telno 92 (copy attached) reports the Turks' acceptance of the revisions to the programme for the afternoon and evening of 7 April, proposed in the second paragraph of your letter of 15 February. I hope that you agree that the programme is now very much on the right lines, although we have still not finally settled your point about the walkabout.

This point was covered in Paragraph 4 of Ankara telno 83 (copy attached). The idea of a walkabout is clearly a difficult one for the Turks. As Ankara suggest, we may need to keep our cards close to our chests until nearer the time. But our preliminary view is that the Prime Minister's exit from the Cankaya Primary School on the morning of 7 April would be the best bet. From the point of view of security we could be more confident about the reliability of the by-standers there than if the motorcade stopped on one of the bridges across the Golden Horn. Crowd-control too could be easier at the school than on the bridge. (If, by the way, it were the Galata bridge, which is one-way, this would be on the return journey from the visit to the Topkapi Museum. To get to the Topkapi the motorcade would have to cross the Ataturk bridge, which is one-way in the other direction.) I should be grateful to know if you wish us to try and nail this down now or leave it for further consideration.

You may like some comment on the proposed visits to Aselsan and the Yenikapi Water Treatment Plant. MOD Sales believe that Aselsan is worth including in the Prime Minister's programme. It is a modern Turkish electronics factory, which while not as impressive as our own high-tech installations, would almost certainly be involved in the local assembly component of any contract for the sale of radio equipment which British companies are pursuing. The Yenikapi plant is indeed a sewerage treatment installation, part of a project to install a new sewerage network in Istanbul and clean up the Golden Horn. The plus points are that the consultants for the project are a joint venture of John Taylor and Binnie and Partners, who did much of the design work and are



undertaking supervision; and the centre piece as far as we are concerned is a high tech chemical ozone plant (to remove the smells), worth fl.2 million, supplied by a small and fairly new British company called Ozotech.

You will have noted that it is now proposed that the Mayor of Istanbul should host the lunch on the Friday at which the Prime Minister might make a second speach. Following your letter of 22 January the Turkey Desk Officer in SED discussed the content of such a speach with HM Ambassador during a visit to Ankara a fortnight ago. Mr Daunt believed the lunch would be a good occasion for the Prime Minister to deliver a statement of her politico/economic philosophy (strict control of public sector expenditure, virtues of the free market, privatisation, personal and consumer choice, and so on). This would be in line with Mr Ozal's own philosophy and would go down well in business oriented Istanbul. If you agree with this approach, the bulk of the drafting would need to be done in No. 10. Mr Daunt and SED between them could supply additional material to link that to the local context.

The questions of accommodation for the party and gifts are being dealt with separately.

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(L Parker)

Private Secretary

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TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELNO 92

OF 221545Z FEBRUARY 88

FOR SED FROM HEAD OF CHANCERY

MY TELNO 83: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

- 1. WE HAVE TODAY RECEIVED A REVISED PROGRAMME FROM PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT IN THE MFA, ACCEPTING THE CHANGES TO THE PROGRAMME PROPOSED IN PARA 2 OF YOUR TELNO 49. (EZEN NEVERTHELESS MADE A POINT OF SAYING THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO CHANGE THE TIMINIG OF THE CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN AGAIN.)
- 2. SUGGESTED PROGRAMME FOR THE AFTERNOON OF 7 APRIL NOW THEREFORE AS FOLLOWS:

1430 DEPART FOR ASELSAN

1500-1545 TOUR OF ASELSAN

1625 ARRIVE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE

1630 CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN

1705 (APPROX) RETURN TO RESIDENCE

1830 TRT INTERVIEW

1900-1945 MEET BRITISH COMMUNITY

2015 DEPART FOR ANKARA PALAS GUEST HOUSE

2030 DINNER OFFERED BY MR AND MRS OZAL.

3. ON ACCOMMODATION, EZEN SAID THAT, HAVING DISCUSSED OUR PROPOSALS AGAIN WITH HIS SUPERIORS, HE VERY MUCH HOPED THAT WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO PUT THE MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION NOT STAYING AT THE RESIDENCE IN THE ANKARA PALAS HOTEL. GUESTS OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT ALWAYS STAYED THERE: THE MFA DID NOT HAVE FINANCIAL AUTHORITY TO PAY FOR MORE THAN A FEW ROOMS AT THE

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CONFIDENTIAL 113541 MDHIAN 8636 BUYUK ANKARA (OUR PREFERRED CHOICE): SECURITY WOULD BE MUCH EASIER TO ARRANGE, SINCE THE ANKARA PALAS IS A GOVERNMENT GUEST HOUSE: AND, WITH POLICE ESCORTS, THE TRAVELLING TIME BETWEEN CANKAYA AND THE ANKARA PALAS SHOULD NOT BE MORE THAN 15 TO 20 MINUTES. 4. I EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING, BUT EXPLAINED OUR PREFERENCE TO HAVE THE DELEGATION AND THE ACCOMPANYING JOURNALISTS STAYING IN THE SAME HOTEL, AS WELL AS THE NEED FOR ADEQUATE PRESS FACILITIES. EZEN SAID HE WOULD SEE WHETHER (EXCEPTIONALLY) ROOMS COULD BE PROVIDED AT THE ANKARA PALAS FOR ALL OF THOSE TRAVEELLING ON THE PRIME MINISTER'S AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING JOURNALISTS. AS FOR PRESS FACILITIES, THE STAD HOTEL (4 STAR, 100 METRES FROM THE ANKARA PALAS) WAS WELL USED TO PROVIDING TELEFAX, TELEPHONE LINES, ETC FOR LARGE DELEGATIONS OF VISITING PRESS MEN, AND WOULD BE GLAD TO DO SO ON THIS OCCASION. 5. LOOKING AT THE PROGRAMME, I DO NOT THINK THAT MUCH TIME WOULD BE LOST ACCEPTING THE MFA'S OFFER OF THE ANKARA PALAS. SINCE THE DINNER ON 7 APRIL IS BEING HELD THERE, THE JOURNALISTS WOULD IN FACT HAVE MORE TIME TO FILE (BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER THE DINNER) THAN IF THEY WERE STAYING AT THE BUYUK ANKARA. THE ONLY TIME WHEN TRAVELLING TO AND FROM THE ANKARA PALAS WILL BE LESS CONVENIENT IS AT LUNCH TIME ON 7 APRIL, ALTHOUGH THE FIRST AFTERNOON APPOINTMENT AT ASELSAN IS CONSIDERABLY NEARER THE ANKARA PALAS THAN THE EMBASSY, WHERE THE AMBASSADOR'S LUNCH WILL BE HELD. PROVIDED THE TURKS CAN TAKE THE WHOLE PARTY AT THE ANKARA PALAS, AND THE FACILITIES AT THE STAD HOTEL ARE ADEQUATE, I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT WE ACCEPT. 6. I HOPE TO LET YOU HAVE FURTHER ADVICE ON GIFTS BY 1300Z ON 23 FEBRUARY. HUMFREY YYYY PAGE 2 CONFIDENTIAL

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FOR SED FROM HEAD OF CHANCERY

YOUR TELNO 49: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

- 1. I CALLED TODAY ON MEHMET EZEN, THE DEPUTY HEAD OF PROTOCOL IN THE MFA RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANNING THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT, AND PUT TO HIM THE REVISED DRAFT PROGRAMME, WITH NO.10'S PROPOSED CHANGES.
- 2. EZEN AGREED TO SUBMIT TO OZAL WITHOUT DELAY. HE WOULD DO HIS BEST TO ENSURE THAT ALL OUR CONCERNS WERE MET, AND WOULD REPORT BACK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE FORESAW POSSIBLE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PROPOSALS IN PARA 2 OF TUR: IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO MOVE THE TIMING OF THE CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN AGAIN, AND THE PRIME MINISTER HAD HIMSELF ALREADY APPROVED THE IDEA OF 2 SESSIONS OF TALKS ON 7 APRIL. I EXPLAINED THE NEED FOR ADEQUATE TIME FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO PREPARE FOR HER TV INTERVIEW AND, LATER, TO CHANGE FOR THE OZALS' DINNER, ADDING THAT MRS THATCHER WOULD OF COURSE EXPECT TO CONTINUE HER TALKS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AT THAT OCCASION. EZEN REPEATED THAT HE WOULD DO WHAT HE COULD TO HELP.
- 3. ON ACCOMMODATION, I CONFIRMED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER AND HER IMMEDIATE ENTOURAGE WOULD BE STAYING AT THE RESIDENCE, AND THE REMAINDER OF THE PARTY AT THE BUYUK ANKARA HOTEL. EZEN WONDERED BRIEFLY WHY WE DID NOT WISH TO USE THE ANKARA PALAS BUT QUICKLY APPRECIATED THE ADVANTAGES OF HAVING OFFICIALS AND JOURNALISTS TOGETHER IN A HOTEL CLOSE TO THE EMBASSY.
- 4. I MENTIONED THE NEED FOR AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A WALK-ABOUT ONLY IN VERY GENERAL TERMS. ADVANCE NOTICE IS LIKELY TO ENSURE A MASSIVE SECURITY PRESENCE AND PRECIOUS FEW TURKS WITH WHOM THE PRIME MINISTER COULD MINGLE. OUR VIEW IS THAT WE SHOULD NOT WRITE THE EVENT FIRMLY INTO THE PROGRAMME AT THIS STAGE, BUT KEEP THE IDEA IN MIND AS WE PLAN OTHER EVENTS. THE VISITS TO TOPKAPI/AYA SOFIA ARE INDEED UNLIKELY TO OFFER GOOD OPPORTUNITIES. THE BEST BET WOULD PROBABLY BE EITHER AS THE PRIME MINISTER LEAVES

PAGE 1 CONFIDENTIAL THE CANKAYA PRIMARY SCHOOL ON THE MORNING OF 7 APRIL, OR STOPPING THE MOTORCADE ON THE (USUALLY CROWDED) GALATA BRIDGE ON THE WAY TO THE TOPKAPI MUSEUM ON 8 APRIL.

- 5. EZEN CONFIRMED THAT MR AND MRS OZAL WOULD BE PRESENT AT THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND MR THATCHER AT ANKARA AIRPORT. OZAL HAD ALSO AGREED THAT THE PRESS CONFERENCE ON THEIR DEPARTURE FROM ANKARA SHOULD BE A JOINT ONE.
- 6. ON MR THATCHER'S PROGRAMME, THE MOST APPROPRIATE SUBSTITUTE FOR THE HITTITE MUSEUM WOULD BE THE BRITISH COUNCIL, WHO WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO ARRANGE A SHORT VISIT.
- 7. SEPARATE ADVICE FOLLOWS ON GIFTS.

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From the Private Secretary

15 February 1988

Dear dyn.

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

I have seen Ankara telegrams 074 and 075 suggesting revised programmes for the Prime Minister's and Mr. Thatcher's visit to Turkey.

On the whole, the programme looks on the right lines. On 7 April I think it would be more appropriate for the Prime Minister to visit the Turkish primary school rather than the Embassy school. But my main concern is the lack of adequate time for the Prime Minister to change in the evening before the television interview, drinks with the British community and dinner. I can only suggest that this problem is overcome by dropping the second round of talks with Mr. Ozal, with whom the Prime Minister will presumably be able to talk over dinner, and bringing forward the call on President Evren to 1630, leaving the Prime Minister an hour or so to change and prepare for the television interview.

The programme for Istanbul looks on the right lines (although making a visit to what I assume is a sewage plant after Topkapi and Aya Sofia seems a bit of a let-down). I am also concerned that there seems to be no real opportunity for the Prime Minister to do a walkabout on either day. The various tourist spots will presumably be full of tourists rather than Turks. I should be grateful if this point could be looked at further.

The programme for Mr. Thatcher looks very much on the right lines except for the visit to the Hittite Museum. I think that Mr. Thatcher would prefer to visit another British company at that time, or the British Council or a military installation.

CHARLES POWELL

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MIPT: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

1. FOLLOWING IS OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR MR THATCHER IN ANKARA.
(WE ASSUME HE WILL ACCOMPANY THE PRIME MINISTER ON ALL ENGAGEMENTS IN ISTANBUL.)

7 APRIL

0900 ACCOMPANY PRIME MINISTER TO ATATURK MAUSOLEUM.

1000 OPEN ANKARA BUSINESS CENTRE (NEW BRITISH PRIVATE SECTOR VENTURE).

1100 VISIT AMEC (BRITISH WINNERS OF MAJOR PROJECT TO CONVERT ANKARA TO NATURAL GAS).

1200 MEET BRITISH BUSINESS COMMUNITY OVER DRINKS AT COUNSELLOR'S APARTMENT.

1300 ATTEND LUNCH AT RESIDENCE WITH PRIME MINISTER.

1430 ACCOMPANY PRIME MINISTER TO ASELSAN FACTORY.

1615-1700 VISIT HITTITE MUSEUM, ANKARA (WITH GUIDE).

1730 RETURN TO RESIDENCE.

(1830 PRIME MINISTER'S TV INTERVIEW).

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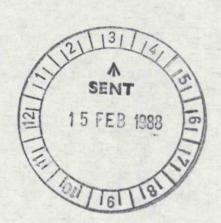
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From the Private Secretary

5 February 1988

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Wreath-Laying Ceremony

Thank you for your letter of 5 February about the wreath-laying ceremony at the Ataturk Mausoleum. I am content with what you propose.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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5 February 1988

Prime Minister's Visit to Turkey: Wreath-Laying Ceremony

Our Embassy in Ankara have confirmed that the Prime Minister will need to lay a wreath at the Ataturk Mausoleum.

The Embassy will purchase a circular wreath locally and have asked us to provide a printed riband with the wording, in gold, "The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland".

I should be grateful to know if you agree with this proposal.

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(L Parker)

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Miss Sarah Lowe, No 10 Duty Clerk

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

- 1. I enclose a copy of a minute from Dr Haines, Diplomatic Service Medical Adviser about a supply of blood for Ankara.
- 2. Can I take it that you will organise the collection from the North London Blood Transfusion Service? I will ask the Administration Officer in Ankara to arrange for the blood to be collected from the VC10 and stored at the Residence during the visit.

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Caroline Gibson (Miss)
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YOUR TEL NO 017: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

1. THE TURKISH SIDE HAS MADE THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS, AT THIS STAGE ON AN UNOFFICIAL BASIS, FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME ON 6-8 APRIL. SUBJECT TO YOUR COMMENTS, THE TURKS WILL PUT TO US AN OFFICIAL PROPOSAL AUTHORISED BY THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER.

WEDNESDAY 6 APRIL

SERIAL A	2200 LOCAL TIME,	ARRIVE ANKARA
В	2300	ARRIVE EMBASSY OR CANKAYA VILLA
THURSDAY, 7 APRIL		
c	0915	WREATH LAYING CEREMONY AT ATATURK MAUSOLEUM
D	0935	ATATURK MUSEUM

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	E	0955	MEETING WITH TURKISH PRIME MINISTER FOLLOWED BY PLENARY
	F	1300	LUNCH AT EMBASSY
	G	1500	CALL BY OPPOSITION LEADER
	H	1550	LAY FOUNDATION STONE OF NEW TURCO-BRITISH ASSOCIATION BUILDING
	I	1630	SECOND MEETING WITH TURKISH PRIME MINISTER
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	J	1815	BRITISH PRESS FOLLOWED BY TELEVISION INTERVIEW
	K	1915	MEET BRITISH COMMUNITY
	L	2030	TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL'S DINNER (SPEECH)
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	V	1530	SIGHT-SEEING AT TOPKAPI AND/ OR SANCTA SOPHIA
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- (C) THE LIBRARY OF AHMET III (EARLY 18TH CENTURY):
 SMALL KIOSK, MOST BOOKS REMOVED TO THE
 UNIVERSITY BUT GOOD IZNIK TILES AND GREAT CHARM.
- (D) TEXTILES AND EMBRUIDERED KAFTANS FROM THE SULTANS AND THEIR ENTOURAGES:
- (E) TREASURY MAINLY JEWELLED GIFTS TO THE SULTAN: SPECTACULAR: THE TURKS TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN IT BUT RICH RATHER THAN BEAUTIFUL=

4. NO SIGHT SEEINGIHAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE ANKARA PROGRAMME. IF THE PRIME MINISTER WANTED TO SEE IT, A SHORT VISIT TO THE MAGNIFICENT MUSEUM OF ANATOLIAN CIVILIZATION COULD BE FITTED IN BEFORE SERIAL I IF SERIAL G SHIFTED TO EARLY ON 8 APRIL

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1. I DISCUSSED THE PROGRAMME WITH THE HEAD OF PROTOCOL
MFA ON 25 JANUARY. YEGEN HAD TAKEN PRELIMINARY INSTRUCTIONS
FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE IN THE LIGHT OF THE USUAL
PATTERN FOR HEAD OF GOVERNMENT VISITS TO TURKEY. HE AGREED THAT
A VISIT TO ISTANBUL, FOR WHICH FIVE HOURS WAS PROBABLY THE MINIMUM,
WAS HIGHLY DESIRABLE.

2. YEGEN THOUGHT THAT A SPEECH AT ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY, WHILST ACCEPTING AN HONORARY DEGREE, MIGHT BE A WORTHWHILE OCCASION. BUT, APART FROM DIFFICULTY IN FITTING IT INTO THE PROGRAMME WHEN THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF AN ENGAGEMENT IN ISTANBUL BEFORE LUNCH, EXPERIENCE WITH PRESIDENT WEIZSACKER MADE HIM DOUBTFUL. PRESS AND TELEVISION WERE ALWAYS INSTRUSIVE HERE. THE ANCIENT BUT RELATIVELY SMALL UNIVERSITY COUNCIL ROOM IN WHICH THE CEREMONIES WERE CONDUCTED LENT ITSELF MORE TO PUSHING AND SHOVING BETWEEN A PRESS CORPS WHICH BLANKETED THE RECTOR AND HIS GUEST FROM THE AUDIENCE THAN TO DIGNIFIED CERMONIAL. (I AM AFRAID YEGEN'S FEARS ARE WELL JUSTIFIED. WHEN LORD CARRINGTON SPOKE IN THE SAME ROOM IN NOVEMBER THE PRESS WERE VERY INTRUSIVE. THEY WOULD BE MORE NUMEROUS FOR THE PRIME MINISTER AND TURKISH OFFICIALS SEEM ENTIRELY INCAPABLE OF CONTROLLING THEM.) THE ALTERNATIVE, WHICH WOULD MAKE FULL USE OF LUNCHTIME, WHICH OTHERWISE MIGHT BE SPENT OVER A RELATIVELY PRIVATE MEAL WITH GOVERNOR, MAYOR ETC. AT THE TOPKAPI PALACE, WOULD BE TO MEET THE LEADERS OF TURKISH BUSINESS, WHO ARE ISTANBUL BASED, AND MAKE A SPEECH WITH AN ECONOMIC FLAVOUR HAVING MADE A SPEECH WITH A POLITICAL FLAVOUR IN ANKARA THE PREVIOUS EVENING (SEE BELOW). I RECOMMEND IN FAVOUR OF THIS, AND THAT THE HONORARY DEGREE IDEA BE DROPPED UNLESS THE PRIME MINISTER IS PARTICULARLY KEEN TO ACCEPT ONE.

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3. THE PRESIDENT HAS OFFERED TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PRIME MINISTER A VILLA IN THE GROUND OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE. IT CONTAINS TWO MASTER BEDROOMS AND EIGHT OTHER ROOMS AND WOULD PROBABLY BE SUFFICIENT TO ACCOMMODATE THE SENIOR MEMBERS OF HER PARTY IN ADDITION TO THE PRIME MINISTER. YEGEN SAID THAT THIS WAS, HOWEVER, MERELY AN OFFER AND IT WAS UP TO THE BRITISH SIDE TO DECIDE WHETHER THAT OR THE EMBASSY RESIDENCE WAS MORE CONVENIENT. THE TURKISH SIDE WOULD IN NO WAY BE PUT OUT IF THE PRIME MINISTER OPTED FOR THE RESIDENCE: THEY KNEW THAT IT MIGHT BE MORE CONVENIENT FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF COMMUNICATIONS ETC.

4. THE FOLLOWING IS A COMMENTARY ON THE SERIALS IN MIPT.

6 APRIL

SERIAL A

THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER AND MRS OZAL WILL PROBABLY WISH THEMSELVES TO GO TO THE AIRPORT. IN ANY CASE, THE TURKISH SIDE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE PRIME MINISTER WAS ABLE TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 2200 LOCAL.

SIMPLE GREETING CEREMONY, WITHOUT GUARD OF HONOUR. SHORT STATEMENT FOR PRESS AND TV (OZAL ALSO LIKELY TO SPEAK IF AT AIRPORT).

SERIAL B

ACCOMPANY THE PRIME MINISTER THERE. IF THEY STAY AT THE EMBASSY, HE WOULD TAKE LEAVE AT THE AIRPORT AND TRAVEL BACK SEPARATELY. (THIS IS TURKISH PROTOCOL CUSTOMS AND IMPLIES NO UMBRAGE OVER THE DECISION ON ACCOMMODATION).

7 APRIL

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ESSENTIAL PROTOCOL PARTS OF THE VISIT.

SERIAL E

TETE-A-TETE OF INDETERMINATE LENGTH (PRIME MINISTERS PLUS TWO PER SIDE, THE TURKS NORMALLY EXPECTING THE VISITOR'S AMBASSADOR AND PRIVATE SECRETARY TO ATTEND).

DELEGATIONS MAY MEANWHILE START ON AN OFFICIAL AGENDA, OR NOT, DEPENDING ON COMPOSITION OF THE VISITING PARTY. TURKISH MINISTERS UNLIKELY TO ATTEND IF NO BRITISH MINISTERS ACCOMPANYING THE PRIME MINISTER.

SERIAL F

LUNCH IS ''FREE''. THE OZALS INTEND TO OFFER A FORMAL DINNER. IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE VISITORS TO OFFER HOSPITALITY FIRST. SO NO ''RETURN HOSPITALITY'' WILL BE FEASIBLE. AND TURKISH GUESTS SHOULD NOT BE INVITED TO LUNCH.

I RECOMMEND THAT THE PRIME MINISTER AND PARTY LUNCH AT THE EMBASSY WITH A MAXIMUM OF TEN LEADING MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH COMMUNITY IN TURKEY.

SERIAL G

THE TURKS HAVE NO OBJECTION TO A MEETING WITH THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION BUT IT WOULD BE OUTSIDE THE OFFICIAL PROGRAMME AND ARRANGED BY US. IT MIGHT FIT EITHER HERE, OR AS THE FIRST ENGAGEMENT ON 8 APRIL, IF THE PRIME MINISTER WANTS IT AT ALL. THE CALLER WOULD BE PROFESSOR INONU, SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC LEADER: SON OF TURKEY'S SECOND PRESIDENT.

SERIAL I

THE TURKS WANT PROVISION FOR A SECOND SESSION OF TALKS, THINKING IT UNLIKELY THAT THE WHOLE AGENDA CAN BE COVERED DURING THE MORNING.

SERIAL J

MY SUGGESTIONS, RATHER THAN THE TURKISH SIDE'S.
YOU MAY, OR MAY NOT, WANT PROVISION FOR A MEETING
WITH THE BRITISH PRESS ON 7 APRIL. BUT I RECOMMEND
IN ANY CASE A SHORT INTERVIEW WITH TURKISH TELE-

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SERIAL K

MY SUGGESTION.INCLUDED IN CASE THE PRIME MINISTER WISHES BRIEFLY TO MEET A CROSS-SECTION OF BRITISH COMMUNITY AND EMBASSY STAFF IN ADDITION TO PROVISION UNDER SERIAL F. IF SO, COULD BE AT 1915 OR BEFORE LUNCH.

SE SERIAL L

DINNER FOR ABOUT 90 GUESTS. BLACK TIE. SPEECHES OF 7-8 MINUTES. SHORT FOLK DANCING DISPLAY THERE-AFTER.

8 APRIL

SERIAL M

U930 IS APPARENTLY THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME FOR THIS CALL. PRINCIPALS PLUS TWO PER SIDE (THE TURKS WOULD EXPECT THE PRIME MINISTER TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY HER PRIVATE SECRETARY AND MYSELF).

SERIAL O

TURKISH SIDE DO NOT YET KNOW WHETHER OZAL WOULD WISH THE PRESS CONFERENCE TO BE A JOINT ONE.

SERIAL S

GIVEN THE ROLE OF ISTANBUL MUNICIPALITY ON CONTRACTS, PARTICULARLY OVER BOSPHORUS BRIDGE III, A SHORT MEETING WITH THE MAYOR IS DESIRABLE, IF ONLY AS A GESTURE TO HIM. FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE LUNCH IN PRIME MINISTER'S SUITE SHOULD SUFFICE.

SERIAL T A LARGE GATHERING OF LEADERS OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, MOST OF WHOM ARE ISTANBUL BASED. I RECOMMEND CO-SPONSORSHIP BY THE BRITISH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN TURKEY, WHICH IS IN ITS CENTENARY YEAR (ALTHOUGH NOT A MAJOR ORGANISATION, THE GESTURE TO THE BRITISH BUSINESS COMMUNITY WILL BE APPRECIATED).

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From the Private Secretary

21 January 1988

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 21 January about the support staff for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. I agree with what you propose.

C D POWELL

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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From the Private Secretary

18 January 1988

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 18 January about the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey. In view of the Ambassador's assurances that it will be possible to carry out a full programme on Friday, we can go ahead on the basis of the full Scenario 2 programme, with the Prime Minister travelling out on the evening of 6 April. It is quite clear, however, that we must abandon the idea of travelling on the inaugural British Airways flight to Ankara and should use the RAF VC10 as usual.

As regards the announcement, we have no objection to making it on 25 January. Our Press Section will discuss the text direct with the Department.

Charles Powell

Lyn Parker, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

18 January 1988

Dear Charles,

Visit by the Prime Minister to Turkey

In your letter of M January you asked for advice on whether the Prime Minister could really undertake a full programme in Turkey on Friday 8 April. We have checked this with Timothy Daunt in Ankara. He confirms that the programme proposed in Scenario 2 is fully workable. Turkey has maintained a "European" working week since the day of Kemal Ataturk. We hope that, nevertheless, the Prime Minister would wish to travel out on Wednesday evening (6 April) and undertake the full Scenario 2 programme (subject of course to possible modification in discussion with the Turks).

You also asked us to reflect on the question of possible travel to Ankara on a BA inaugural flight. The security assessment is on balance against the Prime Minister's doing so, given the possibility that the flight might stage in Rome and the likelihood that it would not be solely dedicated to the Prime Minister's party. We do not know if the BA aircraft could be used for the return journey or how the Ankara/Istanbul leg would be organised. Advance publicity would also be ruled out, for security reasons, and this would almost certainly reduce the attractions of the idea to BA. If you wish, we could discuss the possibilities with BA senior management in London. But the logistical arguments for using the RAF VC10 are formidable. We therefore recommend that we abandon the BA option.

We should be grateful for your advice on the timing and text of a formal announcement of the Prime Minister's visit. The Turks would like parallel announcements to be made on 25 January and have proposed the following:

"At the invitation of HE Mr Turgut Ozal, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey, the Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, will pay an official visit to Turkey in April."

We see no security objections to this. I should be grateful to know whether you agree to the Turks' proposal.

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(L Parker) Private Secretary

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From the Private Secretary

11 January 1988

PROPOSED VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 6 January about the arrangements for the Prime Minister's visit to Turkey.

The Prime Minister is prepared to travel to Ankara on the evening of Wednesday 6 April. She is influenced in part by the belief that there may be restrictions on the programme she can carry out on Friday 8 April, given that Turkey is a Muslim country. I should be grateful for advice on this and on whether the Prime Minister could really carry out a full programme on that day as proposed in scenario 2.

The Prime Minister would in principle be ready to travel on the inaugural British Airways flight. But the security considerations must be paramount. You will want to have a security assessment made. The key point will be that the Prime Minister's plans to travel on the flight should not be known in advance, which may, of course, undermine some of the purpose of the exercise. You will want to reflect on this.

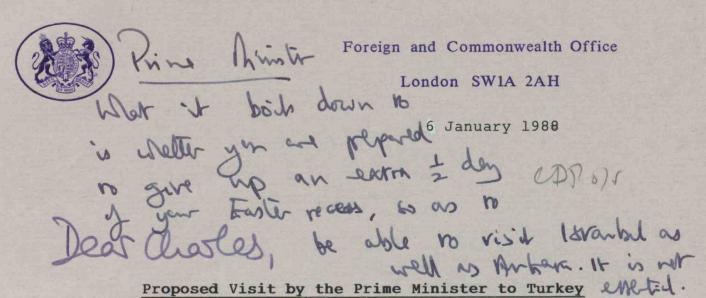
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You will have seen from Ankara telegram no 2 of

5 January (copy attached) that Mr Ozal has welcomed the Prime Minister's proposal to pay her official visit to Turkey on 7 and 8 April.

We are working on a draft agenda for the talks with Mr Ozal and his Ministers, and will be consulting you separately on this. But the question of the duration of the Prime Minister's visit and an outline programme need to be settled soon, ideally before Timothy Daunt begins detailed discussions with the Turks in mid-January.

You agreed shortly before Christmas that the Embassy should be asked to supply alternative outline programmes to cater for outward travel by the Prime Minister on either the evening of Wednesday, 6 April or the morning of Thursday, 7 April. This they have now done. I attach a copy of the two scenarios they propose.

Either of these alternatives would make a worth-while programme. But Scenario 1 would be crowded and confined to standard items in Ankara. Scenario 2 would broaden the scope of the Prime Minister's visit and would include Istanbul, which remains the business and press capital of the country. If diary commitments allow, we strongly recommend the latter option. I should be grateful if you would let me know the Prime Minister's preference.

With reference to Scenario items 1(C) and 2 (F) you will wish to know that the Ankara Turco-British Association, a private-sector organisation which works closely with the British Council there, plan a ground-breaking ceremony for their new Building in the Spring. Attendance by the Prime Minister would give the Association a great boost at a time when they will be looking for additional financial support, as well as providing a good photo opportunity.

There remains one point of logistics. We have reserved an RAF VC 10 for the outward and return journeys in the usual way. The Embassy have however pointed out that British Airways are planning to introduce a direct flight from

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London to Ankara in April. The inaugural flight (perhaps using Concorde) might be timed to coincide with the Prime Minister's visit. There would be some PR advantage in this, but also potential logistic problems, particularly if the Prime Minister returns via Istanbul. On balance the flexibility of the RAF VC 10 would seem preferable. But we shall be happy to explore the other possibility with BA if the Prime Minister so wishes.

If you agree, the visit could be announced in general terms on the same day as the inward State Visit in July, namely, 12 January. Specific dates could be announced much nearer the time.

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TO PRIORITY FCO

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YOUR TEL NO 343: PROPOSED VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER

- 1. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY YESTERDAY INFORMED ME THAT THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER WELCOMES THE PROPOSAL FOR A VISIT ON 7 AND 8 APRIL. PROGRAMME AND AGENDA PROPOSALS WILL BE MADE IN DUE COURSE.
- 2. POSSIBLE PROGRAMME IDEAS HAVE BEEN SENT BY TELELETTER TO SED ON THE 4TH.THE TURKS WILL PROBABLY NOT BE READY TO DISCUSS DETAILS UNTIL AFTER THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER''S VISIT HERE IN MID-JANUARY.

 IF YOU CAN LET ME HAVE BY 15 JANUARY A DECISION ON THE LENGTH OF THE VISIT AND COMMENT ON THE PROGRAMME SUGGESTIONS, WE WILL HAVE A GOOD CHANCE OF SHAPING THE PROGRAMME TOWARDS OUR OWN PREFERENCES.

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SCENARIO 1:

THURSDAY 7 APRIL

- (A) ARRIVE ANKARA, 1330 HOURS LOCAL APPROX.

 (DEPARTURE FROM UK APPROX 0800 LOCAL. NB 2 HOURS TIME DIFFERENCE). STAY BRITISH EMBASSY.
- (B) 1500. BILATERAL WITH OZAL FOLLOWED BY PLENARY WITH OZAL, OTHER MINISTERS (? FOR'EIGN AFFAIRS, EC AFFAIRS, DEFENCE) AND SENIOR OFFICIALS.
- (C) 1830. LAY FOUNDATION STONE OF NEW TURCO-BRITISH ASSOCIATION BUILDING.
- (D) 1900. MEET BRITISH BUSINESSMEN AND EMBASSY STAFF OVER DRINKS AT EMBASSY.
- (E) 1945. BRITISH PRESS, FOLLOWED BY INTERVIEW (AT EMBASSY) WITH TURKISH TV
- (F) 2030. DINNER HOSTED BY OZAL.

FRIDAY 8 APRIL

- (G) 0830. WREATH-LAYING AT ATATURK'S MAUSOLEUM (OBLIGATORY PROTOCOL).
- (H) 0915. CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN.
- (I) 1015. OPPOSITION LEADER (INONU) CALLS ON MRS THATCHER
- (J) 1100. SPEECH ON ANGLO-TURKISH RELATIONS, EC,
 DEFENCE AT (?) POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY, ANKARA
 UNIVERSITY
- 1230. RETURN LUNCH AT EMBASSY GIVEN BY THE PRIME MINISTER.
- (L) 1500. DEPART FOR AIRPORT.
- (M) 1545. PRESS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT AND DEPARTURE FOR UK (ARRIVAL BEFORE 1800).

NESDAY 6 APRIL (EVENING)

(A) ARRIVE ANKARA LATE.

SUPPER AT EMBASSY.

THURSDAY 7 APRIL

- (B) 0845. WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AT ATATURK'S MAUSOLEUM
- (C), 0930. BILATERAL WITH OZAL, FOLLOWED BY PLENARY.
- (D) 1230. LUNCH GIVEN BY OZAL.
- (E) 1500. CALL ON PRESIDENT EVREN.
- (F) 1600. LAY FOUNDATION STONE OF NEW TURCO-BRITISH ASSOCIATION BUILDING.
- (G) 1645. CALL BY OPPOSITION LEADER
- (H) 1730. BRITISH PRESS, FOLLOWED BY TELELVISION INTERVIEW.
- (I) 1845. MEET BRITISH BUSINESSMEN AND EMBASSY STAFF.
- (J) 2000. RETURN DINNER GIVEN BY PRIME MINISTER.

FRIDAY 8 APRIL

- (K) 0830. DEPART ANKARA FOR ISTANBUL (FLYING TIME APPROXIMATELY 50 MINUTES).
- (L) 1015. RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREE FROM ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY AND MAKE SPEECH (AS SCENARIO 1, ITEM J).
- (M) 1200. RECEPTION FOR PRESS AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY AT BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL.
- (N) 1300. LUNCH GIVEN BY VALI (GOVERNOR) OF ISTANBUL
- (O) A SIGHT-SEEING CALL (EG SANCTA SOPHIA) EN ROUTE TO AIRPORT.
- (P) 1545. PRESS CONFERENCE AT AIRPORT AND DEPARTURE FOR UK.



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