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for the European Council, December 1989

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10 DOWNING STREET  
LONDON SW1A 2AA

THE PRIME MINISTER

12 December 1989

*Dear Mr. McLean,*

I am most grateful to you and your wife for your very kind hospitality during the time of the European Council in Strasbourg. It was wonderful to come back to such a nice warm and friendly house and to be so well looked after. I fear we amount to a considerable invasion, but your staff coped admirably well. Please thank all of those who took a hand in my visit for their excellent work.

With every good wish,

*Yours sincerely*

*Margaret Thatcher*

His Excellency Mr. C. McLean, C.M.G., M.B.E.

*ccm*



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LONDON SW1A 2AA

*From the Private Secretary*

11 December 1989

I enclose the Prime Minister's thank you letter to President Mitterrand following the recent European Council in Strasbourg. I should be grateful if the text could be telegraphed to Paris for delivery as soon as possible.

Charles Powell

Richard Gozney Esq  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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PERSONAL MESSAGE

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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 December 1989

*Dear Mr. President,*

May I thank you once more for your most skilful and effective Chairmanship of the European Council in Strasbourg, as well as for the excellent arrangements made for the delegation. I was sorry not to be able to attend the final lunch, but was detained so long by the press and television, that I had to leave straight for the airport.

I found our own talk very useful and agree that we must keep closely in touch on this most important issue. I remain ready to come over to France whenever it would be convenient.

Meanwhile, may I wish you a successful visit to the Caribbean.

*Yours sincerely  
Rajiv Gandhi*

His Excellency le President Mitterrand, G.C.B.



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*From the Private Secretary*

10 December 1989

*Dear Squadron Leader Laurie,*

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you very much for the excellent flight to and from Strasbourg. She is most grateful to all the members of the crew. I can see that the BAe 146 is growing on her!

May I add the thanks of all the other members of the No. 10 party.

*Yours sincerely  
Charles Powell*

CHARLES POWELL

Squadron Leader G. H. Laurie, R.A.F.

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EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG  
8-9 DECEMBER 1989

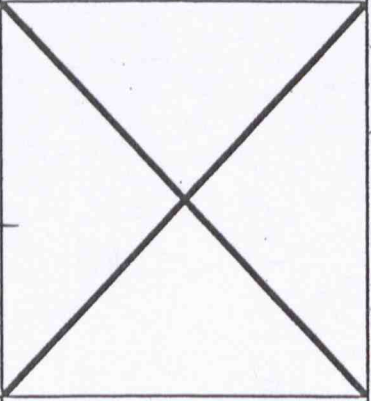
THANK YOU LETTERS

From the Prime Minister

His Excellency  
Mr François Mitterrand  
President of the République  
Palais de l'Elysée  
75008 PARIS

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT OF THE  
PRIME MINISTER AND THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH SECRETARY TO  
STRASBOURG FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL: 8-9 DECEMBER 1989**

**1. DATE AND PLACE OF THE COUNCIL**

The European Council Meeting attended by the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs will take place at the Palais des Congres in Strasbourg from 8-9 December 1989.

**2. COMPOSITION OF THE DELEGATION**

See Appendix I.

**3. PROGRAMME**

The outline programme, as a present known, is shown at Appendix II.

**4. TRAVEL**

(All times local)

London = GMT  
Strasbourg = GMT + 1

a) The travel schedule including passenger lists for the BAe 146 is shown at Appendix III.

Outward

b) The Prime Minister, Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, and main Delegation will travel to Strasbourg, in a BAe 146, Task No Ascot 1372 leaving RAF Northolt at 1920 hours local on Thursday 8 December: ETA Strasbourg will be 2150 hours local. Flying time 1 hour 30 minutes. Dinner will be served.

Return

c) The Prime Minister, Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary and main Delegation will return to London Heathrow (Southside) in the BAe 146 on Saturday 9 December. The Meeting is expected

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to end at 1300 hours followed by an official lunch and Press Conferences and the BAe 146 will be on standby to depart Strasbourg from 1500 hours local. If the aircraft departs at this time the arrival time at London Heathrow (Southside) will be 1530 hours local. Flying time 1 hour 30 minutes. A meal and refreshments will be available.

d) Air tickets for those travelling by commercial flights from the UK have been distributed by Conference Section.

**5. PASSPORTS AND HEALTH**

- a) Valid passports should be taken.
- b) There are no special health requirements for France.

**6. CLIMATE/CLOTHING**

The climate in Strasbourg in December is just slightly colder than the UK. Black tie/long dress will not be required.

**7. BAGGAGE AND INSURANCE**

- a) See note at Appendix IV.
- b) The Air France flights to and from Strasbourg are Economy Class and the free baggage allowance is 20 kilos.
- c) Those travelling on the BAe 146 may take up to 20 kilos.

**8. PERSONAL BAGGAGE LABELS**

Baggage labels are enclosed for those travelling on the BAe 146. Please ensure that all baggage is clearly labelled. Unused labels should be returned to Conference and Visits Section. Labels used or otherwise should not be left in hotels. Colours are:

Residence	-	Blue
Hilton Hotel	-	Red
Sofitel Hotel	-	Mauve
Official items	-	White
Cabin load	-	Yellow

**9. LIVING ACCOMMODATION**

See Appendix I.

**10. WORKING ACCOMMODATION**

a) Palais des Congres

The UK Delegation have been allocated three rooms as Delegation Offices in the Palais des Congres. There will also be a Press Briefing Room in the Salle Tivoli.

b) Hilton Hotel

Rooms on the 7th Floor are allocated as follows:

No 10 Private Office	Room 623
Secretary of State's Private Office	Room 625
General Office	Room 624

Salon A on the ground floor has also been reserved for press briefings.

c) Residence

A No 10 Private Office will be set up in the Residence for evening and early morning work.

**11. COMMUNICATIONS**

a) Telegrams

i) The Communications Centre in the UK Delegation, Strasbourg, will maintain permanent communications watch from the time of the Prime Minister's departure from the UK on 7 December until the Prime Minister's aircraft has left Strasbourg on 9 December.

ii) Telegrams to and from the UK Delegation should be addressed "for/from UK Delegation, Strasbourg" followed by the name of the addressee where relevant. In Strasbourg, telegrams marked "Following for UK Delegation" will be distributed to all senior members of the party. Telegrams marked "For Private Secretary to Prime Minister" will be distributed to the Private Secretary and Duty Clerk and "For Private Secretary to Secretary of State" to Private Secretary and Personal Assistant.

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iii) Telegrams addressed to other named individuals in the party will not be given any distribution without prior reference to that person.

b) Telephones

Direct dial telephones will be installed in:-

i) The Delegation Offices and UK Press Briefing Room in the Palais des Congres.

ii) Hilton Hotel

No 10 Private Office (Room 623), FCO Private Office (Room 625), General Office (Room 624), Sir John Fretwell (Room 637), and PS/Secretary of State (Room 620).

Salon 'A' (Ground Floor)

iii) Residence

Direct dial telephone lines will be installed in the Study (PSS'Office), the Conservatory (Duty Clerk) and the Private Secretary's bedroom.

A direct private line to No 10 will be installed in the Study.

iv) Useful telephone numbers are at Appendix V.

v) Walkie talkies: Hand-held radio sets will be issued to various personnel for administrative use and transport co-ordination.

**12. SPECIAL COURIERS: VC10 PARTY**

a) Ms S Lowe (No 10) and Miss S McGinty (FCO) will be designated as Special Couriers for their respective offices. Members of the Delegation travelling on the BAe 146 and taking classified material with them are asked to contact COD (Tel: 270 2781) so that all boxes and briefcases can be entered on the appropriate waybill.

b) Members of the party travelling commercially who must carry classified documents up to and including Secret are asked to apply for a Letter of Authority from their Head of Department or Departmental Security Office (see Home Circular "B" 32/85 of 26 April 1985).

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13. SECURITY

a) Passes:

i) Presidency passes within the usual limits for the Conference Room and main Conference Centre will be issued to members of the Delegation in Strasbourg.

ii) All members of the Delegation are reminded that their London security passes must be left in Departments and not taken with them.

b) Classified papers from the Delegation Offices in the Conference Centre must be taken to either the General Office in the Hilton Hotel or the No 10 Private Office in the Residence for safekeeping overnight. The No 10 Private Office in the Residence and the General Office (Room 624) in the Hilton Hotel will be guarded round the clock by a member of the Royal Military Police team.

c) The Royal Military Police team will also be responsible for safe-hand services between the Communications Centre in the Permanent Delegation Office and the Private Offices in the Residence/Hotel/Conference Centre.

d) Two suites of safe-hand boxes will be taken to on the BAe 146.

No 10 - Black  
FCO - Green

Relevant keys have been handed over to the Duty Clerk at No 10 and the Personal Assistant, FCO Private Office. The Communications Centre will also have keys.

14. OFFICE EQUIPMENT AND STATIONERY

a) Equipment will be provided as follows:

i) Delegation Offices in the Palais des Congres

2 IBM Selectric 3 Typewriters  
1 IBM Electronic Typewriter  
1 Ricoh Photocopier

ii) UK Press Office in Palais des Congres (Salle Tivoli)

1 Electric Typewriter

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iii) Private Offices in Hilton Hotel:

No 10 Private Office:

1 Electronic Typewriter

FCO Private Office:

1 IBM Electronic Typewriter

1 IBM Selectric 3 Typewriter

General Office:

2 IBM Electronic Typewriters

1 Ricoh Photocopier

iv) Press Suite:

1 IBM Electronic Typewriter

b) Residence

2 IBM Selectric 3 Typewriters

1 Photocopier

c) Any special stationery required for the Prime Minister and Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary will be taken to Strasbourg by their Private Offices.

d) Common-user stationery will be provided in both venues.

**15. TRANSPORT**

a) The French Government will provide eight cars: two of these will be protected cars for the use of the Prime Minister and Secretary of State.

b) The remainder of the cars will be provided by the Embassy in Paris or hired locally.

c) Transport arrangements in the UK for the BAe 146 party will be given in the Departure Arrangements to be issued separately.

d) Car seating allocation for the convoy from Strasbourg Airport will be sent to the party before their departure from the UK.

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e) All members of the UK Delegation will be met on arrival in Strasbourg.

**16. COI SUMMARY AND UK NEWSPAPERS**

a) The COI News Room will send to Strasbourg a summary of UK newspapers covering editions of 8 and 9 December for distribution early each morning.

b) UK newspapers for Friday 8 December and Saturday 9 December will be flown in.

**17. DUTY FREE**

a) Liquor and cigarettes will be made available by the Embassy in Paris for members of the Delegation to purchase for their personal use.

b) Liquor will be provided for official entertainment purposes.

**18. ELECTRICITY**

220 Volts: 50 HZ

**19. FINANCE**

a) Costs will be borne by parent departments except as shown below.

b) Common service costs, ie transport, office machinery, stationery, special telephone lines, official telephone calls, entertainment, newspapers etc, will be borne by the Office of the Minister for the Civil Service.

c) The Office of the Minister for the Civil Service will be responsible for the costs of the Overseas Conference Section representation, the Royal Military Police, the Cabinet Office Coordinator and the Central Office of Information representative.

d) FCO costs will be charged to the DCS Vote A1(1)(U)(1). These will include costs for the Communications Officer.

e) Costs for members of the Delegation from UKREP Brussels will be charged to UKREP Brussels.

**20. SUBSISTENCE**

Class A FF 616.00 : Class B FF 565.00

- a) Members of the party staying at the Residence will receive one-third of the Class A rate of subsistence per night.
- b) Members of the Delegation accommodated in the Hilton and Sofitel Hotels will have the cost of their suite/room, standard breakfast, service charge and taxes paid officially and each person will receive half of the Class A rate of subsistence to cover all other expenses.
- c) The detectives require no subsistence. The cost of their room, service charge and taxes will be debited to the Metropolitan Police.

**21. ADMINISTRATION**

The Delegation will be administered in Strasbourg by Overseas Conference Section, in conjunction with representatives from HM Embassy, Paris. Enquiries at the London end should be addressed to the undersigned until pm on Friday 1 December and thereafter to Miss P Noble (Tel 210 6376) from 4-8 December. The Duty Officer for weekend 9/10 December is Miss G Agnew (Radio Pager via the Resident Clerk).

*Maureen T Howley*

Maureen T Howley  
Conference Section  
Protocol Department  
OAB SG95 210 6375

1 December 1989

**COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION**  
(not in protocol order)

Serial No	Name	Designation
1	The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher, FRS MP	Prime Minister
<u>No 10 Downing Street</u>		
2	Mr C D Powell	Private Secretary
3	Mr B Ingham	Chief Press Secretary
4	Miss S Charman	Assistant Press Secretary
5	Ms S C Lowe	Duty Clerk
6	Mrs D C Ailes	Secretarial Assistant
7	Det Insp D Lewis	Detective
8	Det Sgt R Kingston	Detective
9	Det Sgt A Leach	Detective
<u>Cabinet Office</u>		
10	Mr D A Hadley	Deputy Secretary
11	Mr A Hart	Communications Coordinator
<u>HM Treasury</u>		
12	Mr N L Wicks CBE	Second Permanent Secretary

Serial No	Name	Designation
<u>Foreign and Commonwealth Office</u>		
13	The Rt Hon Douglas Hurd CBE MP	Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs
14	Mr J S Wall LVO	Private Secretary
15	Miss S McGinty	Personal Assistant
16	Det Supt N Somers	Detective
17	Det Sgt I D MacFarlane	Detective
18	Sir John Fretwell GCMG	Deputy to the Permanent Under Secretary and Political Director
19	Mr J O Kerr CMG	Assistant Under Secretary
20	Mr R A Burns	Head of News Department
21	Miss E Rea	Personal Assistant to Head of News Department
22	Mr T W M Smith	First Secretary (Correspondent)
<u>Department of Employment</u>		
23	Mr G L Reid	Deputy Secretary
<u>UKRep Brussels</u>		
24	Sir David Hannay KCMG	Ambassador and UK Permanent Representative to the European Communities
25	Mr J de Fonblanque	Counsellor
26	Mr J Grant	First Secretary (Information)

<b>Serial No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
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<u>UK Permanent Delegation to the Council of Europe</u>		
27	Mr C McLean CMG MBE	Ambassador and Permanent Representative
<u>British Embassy, Paris</u>		
28	Mr R D Wilkinson	Counsellor (Information)
<u>Central Office of Information</u>		
29	Mr M Smith	Radio Technician

## SUPPORT STAFF

Serial No	Name	Designation
1	Miss M T Howley	Conference Officer
2	Miss B D Davis MBE	Conference Officer
3	Miss H M Glanfield	Personal Assistant
4	Mr R How	Communications Officer
5	S/Sgt D Humphries	Royal Military Police
6	Sgt D Fraser	Royal Military Police
7	Cpl J McGranahan	Royal Military Police
8	Cpl P Radley	Royal Military Police
9	Cpl S Tees	Royal Military Police
10	Cpl J Boyd	Royal Military Police
<u>British Embassy, Paris</u>		
11	Miss P Ramsey	Visits Officer
12	Mr G Milton	Liaison Officer
13	Miss B O'Hare	Secretarial Assistant
14	Mr D Mather	Engineer
15	Mr R Bajjeet	Transport Manager
16	Mr C Eakin	Baggage Officer

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## APPENDIX II

OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG  
8-9 DECEMBER 1989

Thursday 7 December

1920 local BAE 146 departs RAF Northolt  
1930 Reception and Buffet Dinner at the Palais Universitaire  
2150 BAE 146 arrives Strasbourg

Friday 8 December

0730 (time to be confirmed) Prime Minister's hair appointment  
1000 or 1030 Arrival of Members of the European Council at the Palais des Congres  
1015 or 1045 - 1300 Family Photograph  
Opening Session of the European Council  
Two sittings:  
1230-1330 Luncheon for Permanent Representatives, Political Directors, Members of the Antici Group and European Correspondents in the Restaurant at the Palais de Congres  
1330-1500 Luncheon for other members of the Delegation in the Restaurant at the Palais des Congres  
1330 Luncheon at Chateau de Rohan for Heads of Delegation and Foreign Ministers - (Prime Minister, Secretary of State, Mr Powell, Mr Wall and 2 Detectives)  
after lunch Possible signature of 'Livre d'Or' followed by Family Photograph in Library of Chateau de Rohan  
1500-1900 Second Session of European Council resumes  
2000 'Spectacle' and buffet dinner for other members of the Delegation at the Parc des Expositions  
2030 Dinner for Heads of Delegation, Foreign Ministers at the Prefecture. (Prime Minister, Secretary of State, Mr Powell, Mr Wall and 2 Detectives).

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Saturday 9 December

0730 (to be confirmed)

Prime Minister's hair appointment

1000 (to be confirmed) -  
1300

Final Session of the European Council

1300

Luncheon for Heads of Delegation and Foreign Ministers at Palais des Congres

Luncheon for Permanent Representatives, Political Directors, Members of the Antici Group and European Correspondents at the Palais des Congres

Luncheon for other members of the Delegation in the Restaurant at the Palais des Congres

pm

At end of meeting Presidency Press Conference in Main Press Centre in Palais des Congres

Departure of Delegations

(BAe 146 on standby from 1500 hours local)

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**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS**  
 (all times local)  
 London = GMT  
 Strasbourg = GMT + 1

**OUTWARD****Sunday 26 November**

Mr G Milton Own arrangements

**Sunday 3 December**

Miss M Howley	AF 1871	ETD LHR	1835
Miss B Davis		ETA Strasbourg	2050
Miss H Glanfield			

**Monday 4 December**

Mr A Hart	AF 1871	ETD LHR	1855
		ETA Strasbourg	2120

**Tuesday 5 December**

Mr D Mather Own arrangements

**Wednesday 6 December**

Det Sgt A Leach	AF 1869	ETD LHR	0835
Det Sgt I MacFarlane		ETA Strasbourg	1110
S/Sgt D Humphries			
Cpl J McGranahan			
Cpl P Radley			

Sgt D Fraser	AF 1871	ETD LHR	1855
Cpl S Tees		ETA Strasbourg	2120
Cpl J Boyd			

Mr M Smith	Train from Paris	ETA Strasbourg	1242
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Miss P Ramsey Own arrangements  
 Mr Eakin  
 Miss B O'Hare  
 Mr Bajjeet

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APPENDIX III

Thursday 7 December

Mr R How	AF 1869	ETD LHR	0835
		ETA Strasbourg	1110
Mr J Grant	AF 1203	ETD Brussels	1610
		ETA Strasbourg	1720
Mr J de Fonblanque	By road		
Mr R Wilkinson	By road		
Miss E Rea	AF 1871	ETD LHR	1855
Mr T Smith		ETA Strasbourg	2120
Prime Minister	BAe 146	ETD RAF Northolt	1920
Secretary of State	Task No	ETA Strasbourg	2150
Sir John Fretwell	Ascot 1372	(Entzheim)	
Sir David Hannay			
Mr Wicks	Flying time: 1 hour 30 minutes		
Mr Powell	Dinner will be served		
Mr Ingham			
Miss Charman			
Miss Lowe			
Mrs Ailes			
D/Insp Lewis			
D/Sgt Kingston			
Mr Hadley			
Mr Reid			
Mr Wall			
Miss McGinty			
D/Supt Somers			
Mr Kerr			
Mr Burns	Total = 19		

RETURN

Saturday 9 December

Passengers as for outward journey <u>minus</u>	BAe 146	BAe 146 on standby from
Sir David Hannay	Task No	1500 hours. If aircraft
Det Insp Lewis	Ascot 1372	leaves at this time ETA
Det Supt Somers		LHR (Southside) will be
<u>plus</u>		1530 hours
Mr T Smith	Flying time: 1 hour 30 minutes	
D/Sgt Leach	Dinner will be served	
D/Sgt MacFarlane		
Total = 19		

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Sunday 10 December

Det Supt N Somers	AF 1870	ETD Strasbourg	1720
Det Insp D Lewis		ETA LHR	1745
Miss E Rea			
Miss Howley			
Miss Davis			
Miss Glanfield			
Mr A Hart			
S/Sgt Humphries			
Sgt Fraser			
Cpl Radley			
Cpl McGranahan			
Cpl Tees			
Cpl Boyd			
Mr How			
Mr M Smith			
Mr R Wilkinson	Own arrangements		
Mr Milton			
Mr D Mather			
Miss P Ramsey			
Mr Eakin			
Miss O'Hare			
Mr Bajjeet			
Sir David Hannay	By own car to Brussels		
Mr de Fonblanque	Train to Brussels (Midi)	ETD 0949	
Mr J Grant			

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APPENDIX IV

**TRAVEL ON SPECIAL FLIGHTS  
BAGGAGE AND INSURANCE REGULATIONS**

**1. BAGGAGE**

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

**2. INSURANCE**

a) No refund of insurance premium is payable from public funds for officers on short-term visits overseas.

b) Those travelling by RAF aircraft are subject to the same statutory limits of compensation as apply to carriage by commercial airlines but international journeys to or from the UK with an agreed stopping place in the United States are governed by the provisions of the IATA/Montreal Agreement which include a compensation limit higher than the statutory one. Prospective travellers in RAF aircraft are advised to check whether their personal insurance policies provide cover for travelling by non-commercial flights and to consult their insurers if they are in any doubt about their position.

c) When the personal property (other than money or luxury articles) of an officer sent overseas on a short-term visit is lost or damaged during transit to or from the UK or while he is in receipt of subsistence allowance (but not local allowances and DSA) during his stay overseas and the loss or damage is not covered by an existing insurance policy, and the officer himself has not been negligent, compensation may be paid at the discretion of PSD for Diplomatic Service Officers or of the Finance Division of the Cabinet Office for No 10 Downing Street staff. The amount of compensation would be based on the current cost of replacing the articles less an amount for depreciation or, if less, the full cost of repair.

FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE

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## LIST OF USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Dial code from London to Strasbourg	:	010 33 (88)
Dial code from Strasbourg to London	:	19 44 1
UK Perm Delegation to the Council of Europe 18 rue Gottfried	:	(88) 35 00 78 35 00 79 35 00 58
Fax	:	(88) 36 74 39 37 32 62
UK Permanent Representative Mr C McLean, CMG, MBE	:	(88) 61 83 25
<u>Residence</u>		
Deputy UK Permanent Representative Mr J R Jamieson	:	Home (88) 36 28 25
Secretary of State	:	(88) 61 24 52
Mr Powell's Room	:	(88) 41 10 18
Conservatory (Duty Clerk)	:	(88) 61 88 34 (Fax) 61 88 36 61 88 52
Study (Private Secretary)	:	(88) 61 87 83 (Brahms) 61 87 91
Mr R Turner Third Secretary (Management)	:	Home (88) 31 40 43
<u>Palais des Congres</u> Ave Schutzenberger	:	(88) 35 03 00 FAX (88) 25 61 96
UK Delegation Offices	:	(88) 24 31 17 25 82 58 25 82 59

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Appendix V cont.

Hilton Hotel : (88) 37 10 10  
Ave Herrenschmidt : Telex (88) 890 363  
: Fax (88) 36 83 27

Mr Wall : Room 620 : number to be notified  
Sir John Fretwell : Room 637 : "  
FCO Private Office: Room 625 : "  
No 10 Office : Room 623 : "  
General Office : Room 624 : "  
Press Suite : Salon A : "

Hotel Sofitel : (88) 32 99 30  
4 Place St Pierre le Jeune

Airport Information : (88) 78 40 99

Air France (Airport) : (88) 68 86 21  
(Bookings) : (88) 32 99 74

Railway Station : (88) 22 50 50

**DISTRIBUTION**

No 10 Downing Street

Mr A Turnbull  
Mr C Fountain  
Duty Clerks (2)  
Press Office (2)  
Mrs J Richards

Cabinet Office

Mr C K Davies, Room 408B, Whitehall  
Mr P Mallaband, Room 70/2 GOGGS (OMCS)  
Mr I Pickersgill, Room 231, 70 Whitehall

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

PS to Secretary of State (2)  
APS to Secretary of State (2)  
Private Office (2)  
PS/Mr Maude  
PS/Sir John Fretwell  
Mr J O Kerr CMG  
ECD(E): Mr C Prentice  
          Mr T Smith  
ECD(I): Mr N Sheinwald  
          Mr M d'Ath  
COD: Major I G M Bamber ) c/o Mails Branch Registry, W7A  
      Mr J Hardy )  
      Mr C Richards (2), WH 129  
      Mr P P Smith, K 86  
      Mr J Coll, WH 129  
      Head of Departmental Registry (2)  
      Mr P Shaw, CRS Hanslope Park  
TSD: Mr A Hobbs  
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PUSD: Mrs S Wake, E 210  
Protocol Department (15) and Finance Section  
Resident Clerks (2)  
Security Dept: Mr I A N Cook, 4M 505  
              Mr S Papworth, W1A

Ministry of Defence

Wing Cdr R Johnson, Room 5166, Main Building  
PM (2) RAF Metropole Building  
S9 B2 Air (Mr Hucker), Room 1379, Main Building  
MOVOPS (RAF), Desk Officer, Room 5178, Main Building

RAF Northolt

F1 Lt S Loudon, RAF Northolt (via Main Desk MOD)

The Queen's Flight

John Sampler Esq, TQF, RAF Benson, Oxfordshire OX9 6AA

HM Treasury

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Parliament Street, London SW1

Department of Employment

Establishments Officer  
Caxton House, Tothill Street,  
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FROM CONFERENCE OFFICERS:EUROPEAN COUNCIL STRASBOURG, ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

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GREETED BY: MR C MCLEAN CMG MBE, UK PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AND AMBASSADOR TO THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE.  
M.J-D ROISIN, DEPUTY HEAD OF PROTOCOL, QUAI D'ORSAY.

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DETECTIVE

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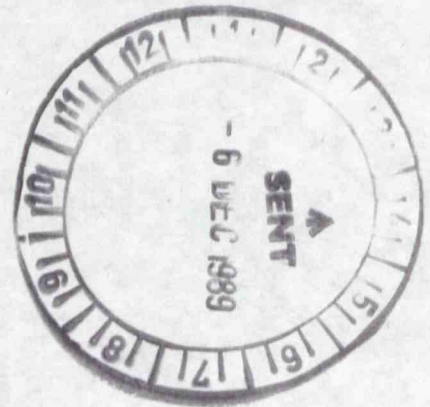
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*From the Private Secretary*

6 December 1989

EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG: BILATERALS

I have now agreed with The Netherlands Prime Minister's office that there will be a bilateral between the Prime Minister and Mr. Lubbers (plus the Foreign Secretary and Mr. van den Broek) in The Netherlands delegation office at 1000 hours on Friday, 8 December.

I will set a time for a bilateral with Mr. Haughey when I see Dermot Nally in Strasbourg.

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

Charles Powell

Stephen Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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PRIME MINISTER

DAVID WILLIAMSON

I have provisionally arranged for David Williamson to come to see you the evening we arrive in Strasbourg at about 10 pm.

(C. D. POWELL)

6 December 1989

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*From the Private Secretary*

6 December 1989

**EUROPEAN COUNCIL: STRASBOURG**

The Prime Minister wants to have a private meeting with David Williamson before the start of the European Council in Strasbourg. I have provisionally arranged for him to come and have a drink with her at 10 pm on Thursday night at our Permanent Representative's house. There will be no need for anyone else to attend.

(C. D. POWELL)

Stephen Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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*From the Private Secretary*

5 December 1989

STRASBOURG EUROPEAN COUNCIL: BILATERALS

I had some discussion in Brussels yesterday with my German and Netherlands opposite numbers about possible bilaterals in Strasbourg. The Germans say that Chancellor Kohl will not arrive until shortly before the opening of the council on Friday morning: and has already agreed to his usual breakfast meeting with President Mitterrand on Saturday morning. There therefore seems no scope for a bilateral. Mr. Lubbers has a Benelux breakfast on Friday morning and will not arrive in Strasbourg until late on Thursday evening. We have tentatively agreed either to a meeting between breakfast and the opening of the Council on Friday morning: or a drink at 2230 on the Thursday evening. I will try to finalise this before we depart from London.

Incidentally, Chancellor Kohl's Office say they have been told by the French that the Council will not start until 1100 on Friday 8 December. If this is really so, do we need to go over the evening before?

CHARLES POWELL

J. S. Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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*From the Private Secretary*

1 December 1989

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**EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG: BILATERAL CONTACTS**

The Prime Minister has now decided that she would like a number of bilateral meetings in connection with the European Council in Strasbourg (in addition to that with Mr. Haughey, which we have already discussed). She thinks it would be useful to have a word with Chancellor Kohl. I have checked with his office this afternoon to see whether he could manage breakfast on Monday before the NATO meeting in Brussels. Unfortunately he already has an engagement. I have suggested as a fall-back, supper on Thursday 7 December in Strasbourg or breakfast on Friday 8 December. His office thought the latter was more likely and will give me an answer in Brussels on Monday.

The Prime Minister would also like her normal meeting with Mr. Lubbers. He in fact telephoned her this afternoon and they agreed in principle to meet. Again, I will try to finalise this on Monday after I have fixed a time for Kohl.

If after all this there are still any gaps in the Prime Minister's programme, she would quite like a word with Senor Andreotti. But I think it is better not to embark on this until we have meetings with Chancellor Kohl and Mr. Lubbers nailed down.

I do not think there is any action for you at the moment. I will be in touch again on Monday.

*Yours sincerely,*  
*C. D. Powell*

C. D. POWELL

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1 December 1989

Dear Chouls,

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European Council, Strasbourg

In your letter of 25 November, you agreed to the proposed travel arrangements for Strasbourg but asked for some assurance that an aircraft would be available at very short notice, should the need arise.

The Queen's Flight have confirmed that they are able to provide a standby commitment during the period of the Strasbourg visit. As far as time-scales are concerned, an HS 146 should be able to position at Strasbourg in approximately three hours.

Jones,  
Peter Wall

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
10 Downing Street



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

*AD 1/12*

30th November, 1989.

*Dear Charles.*

*with cap?*

Thank you for your letter of 29th November, which I have laid before The Queen. Her Majesty is pleased to give her permission for the Prime Minister to be absent from this country from 7th to 9th December in order to visit Strasbourg.

*Yours ever  
Robert.*

(ROBERT FELLOWES)

Charles Powell, Esq.

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*From the Private Secretary*

30 November 1989

ANGLO IRISH RELATIONS: MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER  
AND THE TAOISEACH

I have seen a copy of Dublin telegram number 542 proposing that the Prime Minister should hold her normal meeting with the Taoiseach in the margins of the European Council in Strasbourg. We can certainly plan for this (indeed I thought I had already given Dermot Nally to understand that we could do so, when we met in Paris on 18 November). We will make the precise arrangements when we get to Strasbourg.

I am copying this letter to Stephen Leach (Northern Ireland Office).

C. D. POWELL

Richard Gozney, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Sara (CF)

Just to confirm  
I have asked  
Maureen to put  
in hair appointments  
on both mornings  
at 0730. These  
may not be necessary  
and you will need  
to confirm once  
you are in Sharburg.

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Mrs A Ponsonby  
10 Downing Street  
LONDON  
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Your reference

Our reference

Date 29 November 1989

*Mrs A Ponsonby*

EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG

1 We spoke about the Prime Minister's hair appointments in Strasbourg. I enclose a copy of the proposed programme and you will note that the first meeting on Friday 8 December is either 1000 or 1030. Dinner that night will be at 2030.

2 Can you please let me know when the Prime Minister will require appointments with M Andre Christ for a morning use of Carmen rollers and an evening brush out.

*Yours wv*

*Maureen T. Howley*

Maureen T Howley  
Protocol Department

*P.S. I have since heard that A. Christ will charge FF 100 (= £10.00) per session. He is on the list for a photograph of the Prime Minister, but in view of the low cost you may wish to consider him for a small gift.*

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

8 December

- 1000 or 1030 Arrival of Heads of Delegation and Foreign Ministers at Palais de Congres (other members of the Delegation should arrive 30 minutes beforehand)
- 1015 or 1045 to 1300 Family photograph  
Opening Session of the European Council
- 1330 Lunch at Chateau de Rohan for Heads of Delegation and Foreign Ministers
- There will be a separate lunch at the Chateau for officials (2 per Delegation)
- Lunch will also be provided sur place for 2 Protection Officers
- After lunch Possible signature of "Livre d'Or", followed by family photo in library of Chateau de Rohan
- 1500-1900 Second Session of European Council at Palais de Congres
- 2030 Dinner at Prefecture de Strasbourg for Heads of Delegation
- Parallel dinners at the Prefecture:  
i) Foreign Ministers  
ii) 2 Officials per Delegation  
iii) 2 Security Officers per Delegation

9 December

- 1000 (to be confirmed)  
- 1300 Final Session of European Council
- 1300 Lunch for Heads of Delegation and Foreign Ministers at Palais de Congres
- 1500 President Mitterrand and M Delors hold Press Conference in main Press Centre in Palais de Congres
- Heads of Delegation hold separate Press Conferences in individual press briefing rooms
- 1500 BAe 146 on standby for departure

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*From the Private Secretary*

28 November 1989

EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG

Thank you for your letter of 28 November enclosing a seating plan for the aircraft to the European Council in Strasbourg. I am content with the seating plan proposed and have selected the menus enclosed.

Charles Powell

Stephen Wall Esq  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

28 November 1989

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**EUROPEAN COUNCIL: STRASBOURG**

Thank you for your letter of 28 <sup>NOVEMBER</sup> October about the delegation for the European Council in Strasbourg. My impression is that the number of officials is continuing to increase from the satisfactorily low levels which we have achieved in recent years. It has always seemed to me that, provided the briefing beforehand is good enough, we do not need large numbers of officials actually to be present throughout the European Council, indeed it is largely a waste of their time. Might I ask you very kindly to re-examine the case for quite so many before I put the letter to the Prime Minister for decision?

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*CDP and Stephen Wall  
dealt with by phone.*

C. D. POWELL

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28 November 1989

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Dear Charles

European Council, Strasbourg

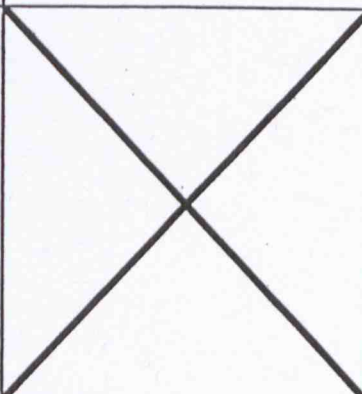
/ I enclose for your approval a proposed  
seating plan for The Queen's Flight BAe 146  
RAF Northolt - Strasbourg - London Heathrow  
/ (Southside). I also enclose a choice of  
menus.

Jans,  
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)  
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1372 TO STRASBOURG FOR VISIT OVER THE PERIOD 7-9 DECEMBER 89

Northolt - Strasbourg (7 Dec 89)

Dinner

OGEN MELON WITH TROPICAL FRUITS  
FILLET OF BEEF WITH RED WINE AND MUSHROOM SAUCE  
PARISENNE POTATOES  
BABY SWEETCORN/BROCOLLI  
WHITE CHOLOCALTE MOUSSE  
CHEESE AND BISCUITS  
COFFEE

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or

SEA FOOD HORS D'OEURVES  
NOISETTES OF LAMB WITH MAREIRA SAUCE  
NEW POTATOES WITH CUMIN  
VICHY CARROTS/MANGE TOUT  
RUM BABA  
CHEESE AND BISCUITS  
COFFEE

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Strasbourg-London Heathrow (9 Dec 89)



Dinner

HOT AND COLD CANAPES  
HORS D'OEUVRES  
SOLE VERONIQUE  
DUCHESS POTATOES  
PETIT POIS/BAKED TOMATOES  
APPLE STRUDEL WITH FRESH CREAM  
CHEESE AND BISCUITS  
COFFEE

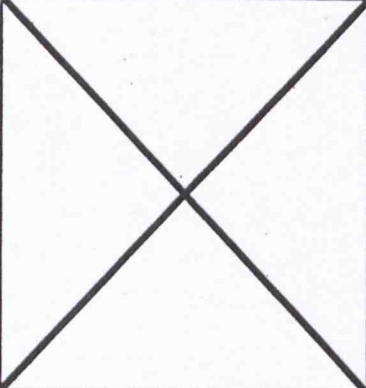
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or

HOT AND COLD CANAPES  
AVOCADO WITH KING PRAWN SALAD  
MEDALLIONS OF VEAL  
CROQUETTE POTATOES  
VICHY CARROTS/BROCCOLI SPEARS  
FRESH FRUIT SALAD  
CHEESE AND BISCUITS  
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**EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG: 8-9 DECEMBER 1989**

1 I would be grateful if you could arrange for suites of safehand boxes to be delivered as follows:

- 1 suite of 4 black boxes for No 10 Downing Street
- 1 suite of 4 green boxes for FCO Private Office

2 Please send the boxes to Security Department, Room 1 DSW, by Tuesday 5 December, marked 'STRASBOURG - Prime Minister's BAe 146, departing RAF Northolt on Thursday 7 December'.

3 Please send me five keys to each suite by Tuesday 28 November.

Maureen T Howley  
Protocol Department  
OAB SG95 210 6375

27 November 1989

cc Miss S Lowe, Duty Clerk, No 10 Downing Street  
Miss S McGinty, Private Office, WH 204  
Mr S Papworth, Security Department, Room 1 DSW

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*Mr Powell N70*

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*brief bilateral with Mr. Haughey in Strasbourg.*

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*It less trouble to have it than not to have it. 29/11/89*

MIPT AND DUBLIN TELNO 531:ANGLO IRISH RELATIONS:PM-TAOISEACH MEETING

1. IN THE LIGHT OF THE DAIL DEBATE ON ANGLO-IRISH RELATIONS, I RECOMMEND THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD AGREE TO A BRIEF BILATERAL WITH THE TAOISEACH IN THE MARGINS OF THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL AT STRASBOURG FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS.

2. THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO PRIME MINISTERS IS NOT COSY, BUT IT IS CRUCIAL IN SUSTAINING IRISH COOPERATION AGAINST TERRORISM AND AQUIESCENCE IN OUR NORTHERN IRELAND POLICIES. IT WOULD NOT BE WISE OR NECESSARY TO TRY TO MOUNT A FREE STANDING SUMMIT AT THIS STAGE. WE HAVE TRIED TO DEVISE ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR A NATURAL MEETING-BUT THE 'WORK OF ANGELS' IDEA CAME TO NOTHING. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, I SHOULD BE LOATH TO SEE A GAP IN THE REGULAR SERIES OF LOW-PROFILE BILATERALS WHICH REPRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE TWO PRINCIPLES TO TAKE STOCK OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITHOUT AROUSING EXAGGERATED EXPECTATIONS.

3. CONVERSLY THE ABSENCE OF A BILATERAL WOULD BE TAKEN AS A SIGN THAT ANGLO-IRISH RELATIONS WERE AT A PARTICULARLY LOW EBB. THIS WOULD BE INCONGRUOUS IN THE LIGHT OF LAST WEEKS DAIL DEBATE ON ANGLO-IRISH RELATIONS.

4. THERE WAS A NOTABLE LACK OF ANTI-BRITISH RHETORIC, A UNIVERSAL CONDEMNATION OF TERRORISM IN THE DAIL, AND A CONSENSUS THAT THEY SHOULD WORK WITH US AFTER THEIR FASHION TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE REPUBLIC. EVEN MR HAUGHEY TEMPERED HIS REPUBLICAN ASPIRATIONS WITH A RECOGNITION OF REALITIES AND MAY NOT BE UNHELPFUL TO THE NORTHERN IRELAND SECRETARY IN ENCOURAGING POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN NORTHERN IRELAND. WE NEED TO BUILD ON THIS.

5. THERE WILL BE EC BUSINESS TO DISCUSS. THE IRISH PRESIDENCY WILL NOT BE ROBUST. BUT MR MAUDES VISIT LAST WEEK CONFIRMED THAT THERE IS A GOOD DEAL OF COMMON GROUND IN THE COMPLETION OF THE SINGLE MARKET AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STAGE 1 OF DELORS. THE PRIME MINISTER MAY WISH TO ENCOURAGE THE INCOMING PRESIDENT TO CONCENTRATE ON THE ACHIEVABLE

RATHER THAN THE IDEALISTIC. MR HAUGHEY WILL DEFEND IRISH INTERESTS, BUT HE WILL NOT BE UNRECEPTIVE TO PRAGMATIC PROPOSALS. THE PRESIDENCY IS A KIND OF CROWN TO HIS POLITICAL LIFE: IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO MINISTER TO HIS VANITY.

6. MR HAUGHEY HAS JUMPED THE GUN BY TELLING THE DAIL THAT HE EXPECTS TO MEET MRS THATCHER AT STRASBOURG. THIS WAS NOT MALIGN. HE WAS DEFENDING HIMSELF AGAINST THE CHARGE OF HAVING NEGLECTED THE RELATIONSHIP BY NOT ARRANGING A SEPARATE SUMMIT. HIS LINE WAS THAT THE REGULAR BILATERALS AT EUROPEAN COUNCILS ARE USEFUL AND ADEQUATE. I THINK THAT FOR THE MOMENT HE IS RIGHT.

7. IF THE PRIME MINISTER AGREES TO A BILATERAL, IT WOULD MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION IF, FOR A CHANGE, THE INITIATIVE TO SET UP THE ARRANGEMENTS COULD COME FROM US.

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*From the Private Secretary*

25 November 1989

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EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG

Thank you for your letter about the travel arrangements for Strasbourg. I agree with what is proposed, although I am rather reluctant not to have aircraft on the ground in Strasbourg. Could we be assured that one will be available at very short notice should a need arise. It need not necessarily be a BAe 146.

*yes mark.*  
*Charles Powell*

Charles Powell

Stephen Wall Esq  
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24 November 1989

*Dear Charles,*

European Council, Strasbourg

The Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary will travel to Strasbourg in a BAe 146 of The Queen's Flight. The aircraft will depart RAF Northolt on Thursday 7 December. ETD 1920 hrs local will give an arrival time of 2150 hrs in Strasbourg.

We had originally suggested a standby time to depart Strasbourg on Saturday at 1500 hrs local. The Embassy in Paris have heard from the Quai d'Orsay that there is a possibility of the meeting continuing after lunch. In view of this, and the fact that RAF Northolt closes each evening at 2000 hrs, we propose that the aircraft should come back to London Heathrow (Southside).

The Queen's Flight have told us that it is their intention to bring the aircraft back to the UK immediately after leaving the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary and party in Strasbourg. It would only return to Strasbourg at 1330 hrs on Saturday 9 December, ready to take off at the standby departure time of 1500 hrs. Even if the meeting runs on, the crew duty time does not expire until 2300 hrs.

I should be grateful to know if these plans are all right.

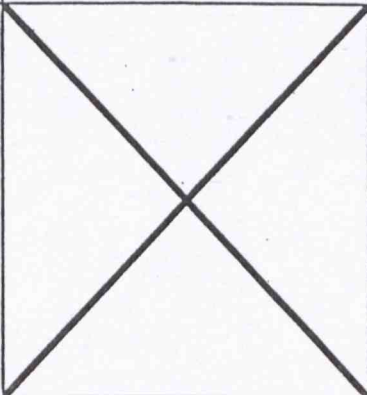
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**EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING, STRASBOURG 8-9 DECEMBER 1989**

1. This Draft Plan describes the communications arrangements for the European Council Meeting in Strasbourg. The proposals are subject to refinement and revision but changes are expected to be minor.

## TIMETABLE

2. The following timetable is for the installation and operation of the Communications facilities.

MONDAY 4 DECEMBER - Communications Co-ordinator and equipment arrive from UK.

TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER ) - Install communications and test all  
WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER) facilities  
THURSDAY 7 DECEMBER )

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER - Pack equipment, Communications Co-ordinator and equipment depart for UK.

## STAFF

3. Communications Co-ordinator - Cabinet Office  
Communications Operator - FCO

## SECURE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

4. Brahms Secure Speech  
Secure Facsimile

## VC 10 COMMUNICATIONS

5. Secure communications are not being installed for this short duration flight.

## COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE

6. The Communications Centre at the UK Delegation building will be used for all secure telegraph traffic. It will be operational throughout the period of the Council Meeting. An additional Communications Centre will be established in the Residence of the UK Permanent Representative to the Council of Europe for passing secure facsimile traffic for the period of the Council Meeting.

SECURE FACSIMILE

7. The secure facsimile will allow text to be exchanged with No 10 Downing Street, via the Cabinet Office. The system may be used for material up to CONFIDENTIAL with occasional use to SECRET.

BRAHMS SECURE SPEECH

8. Brahms will be available for use by the No 10 and FCO Private Offices and will be installed, on demand, by the Communications Co-ordinator.

DELEGATION OFFICE

9. The Delegation Office will be located in the Palais Des Congres on the ground floor. It will have, in addition to the normal telephones, 2 Direct Exchange Lines (DELs). Additionally the private wire between No 10 Downing Street and the Private office in the Residence may be routed here if so required.

TELEPHONE FACILITIES

10. The following facilities will be available:

i. Normal hotel telephones;

ii. Additional Direct Exchange Lines (DELs) with International Direct Dial (IDD) access in Private Offices, Delegation Offices and in rooms of senior officials;

iii. A direct private line between No 10 switchboard and the Private Office in the Residence. This line will have the facility to be re-routed to the Delegation Office in the Palais Des Congres if so required;

iv. A DEL with IDD facilities in the Press Suite (Salon 'A') at the Hilton Hotel.

PRESS OFFICE AND BRIEFING ROOM

11. The UK Press Office and Briefing Room will be situated in the Palais Des Congres on the first floor (part of Salle Tivoli). The Press Office will have installed 1 Direct Exchange Line plus a direct line - 4 wire music quality - to London for the COI.

LOCAL RADIO

12. Local radio will be provided for the Administrative Team and the Protection Officers and clearance for its use has been sought.

ADDITIONAL LINES

13. The following additional lines will be provided:

IN THE HILTON HOTEL (ANNEX A)


- i. FCO Private Office (Room 625)  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities
- ii. General Office (Room 624)  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities
- iii. No 10 Private Office (Room 623)  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities  
1 x PW to No 10 Private Office (Study) at the Residence
- iv. Senior Official's Rooms (Rooms 637 and 620)  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities
- v. Press Suite (Salon 'A')  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities

IN THE PALAIS DES CONGRES (ANNEX B)

- i. UK Delegation Office  
2 x DEL with IDD facilities  
1 x PW to the Private Office (Study) at the Residence
- ii. UK Press Office  
1 x DEL with IDD facilities (in small office at the end  
of UK Press area)  
1 x 4-wire music quality circuit plus control circuit  
(in main Briefing Room)

IN THE RESIDENCE

- i. 1 x PW to No 10 Downing Street
- ii. 1 x PW to Room 623 in the Hilton Hotel
- iii. 1 x PW to the UK Delegation Office in the Palais Des  
Congres
- iv. 3 x DEL with IDD facilities in the Conservatory
- v. 2 x DEL with IDD facilities in the Study

  
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Telecommunications Secretariat

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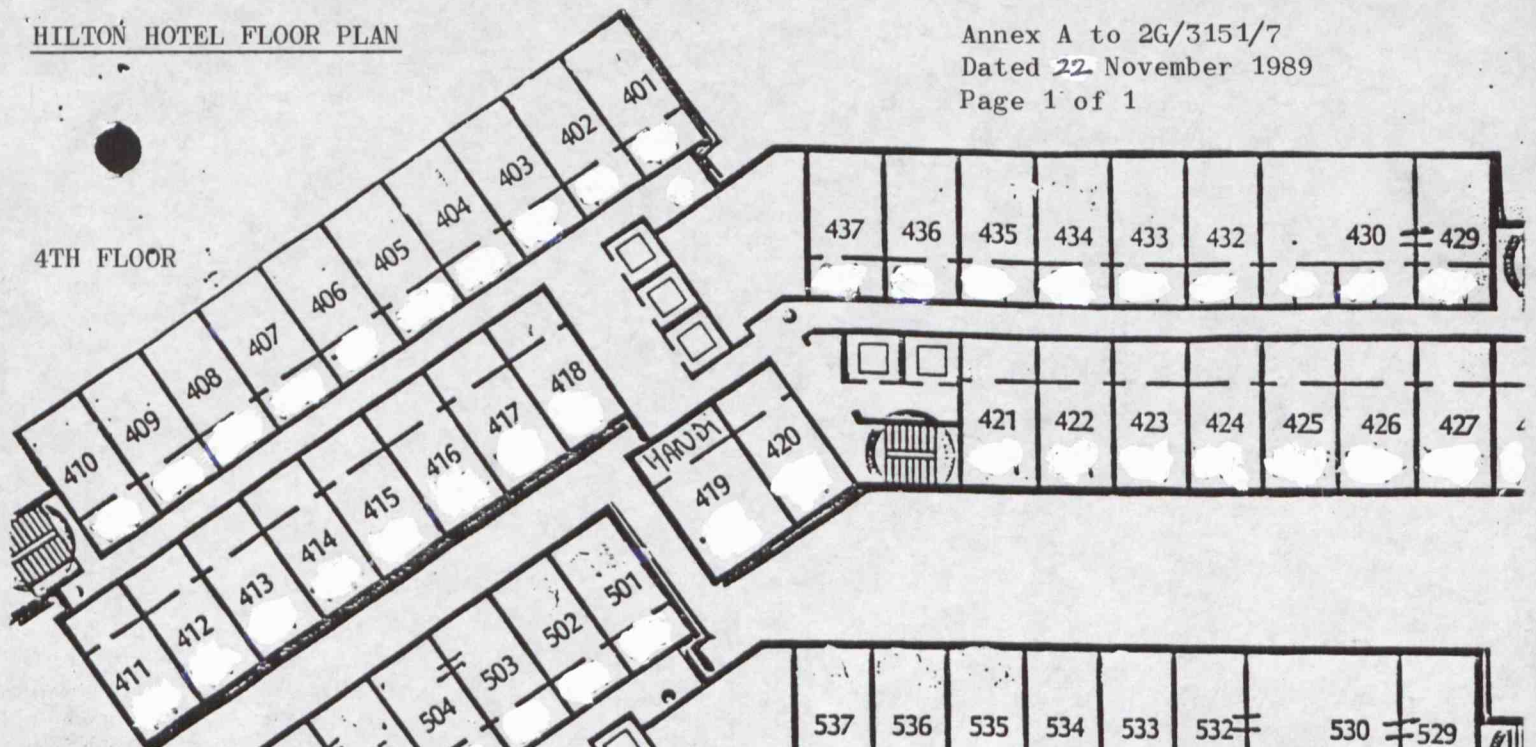
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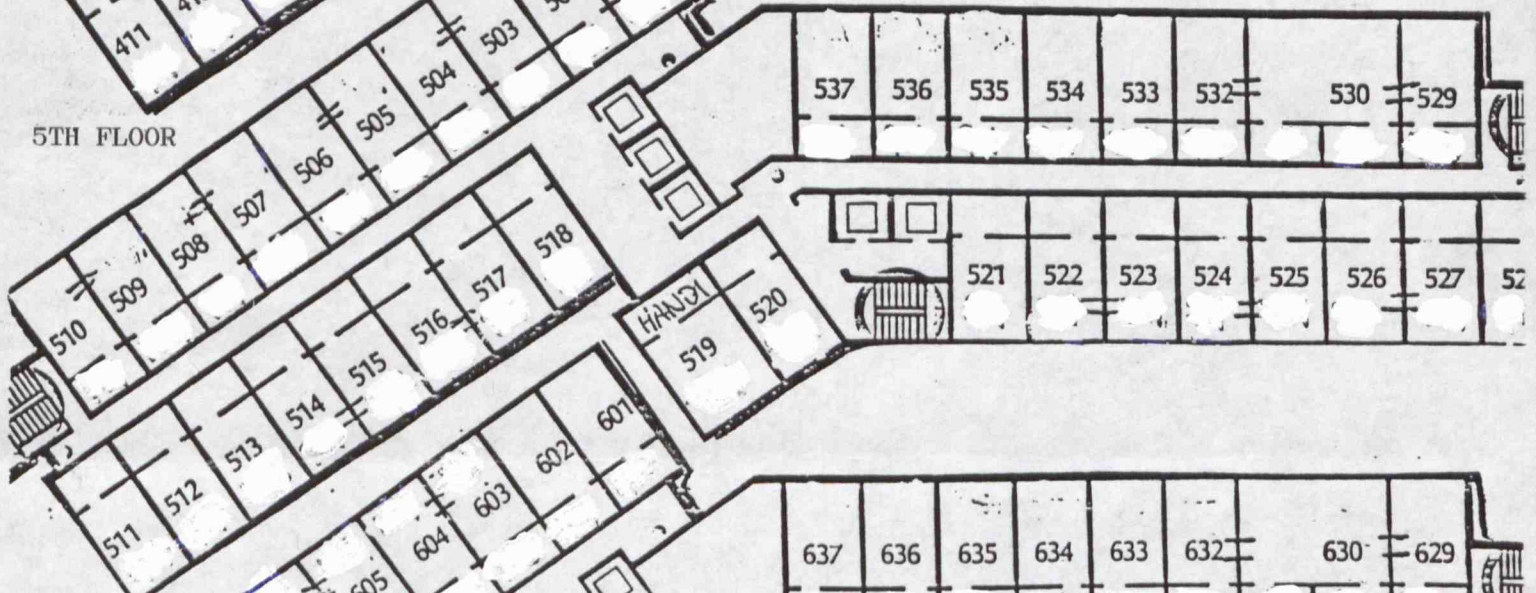
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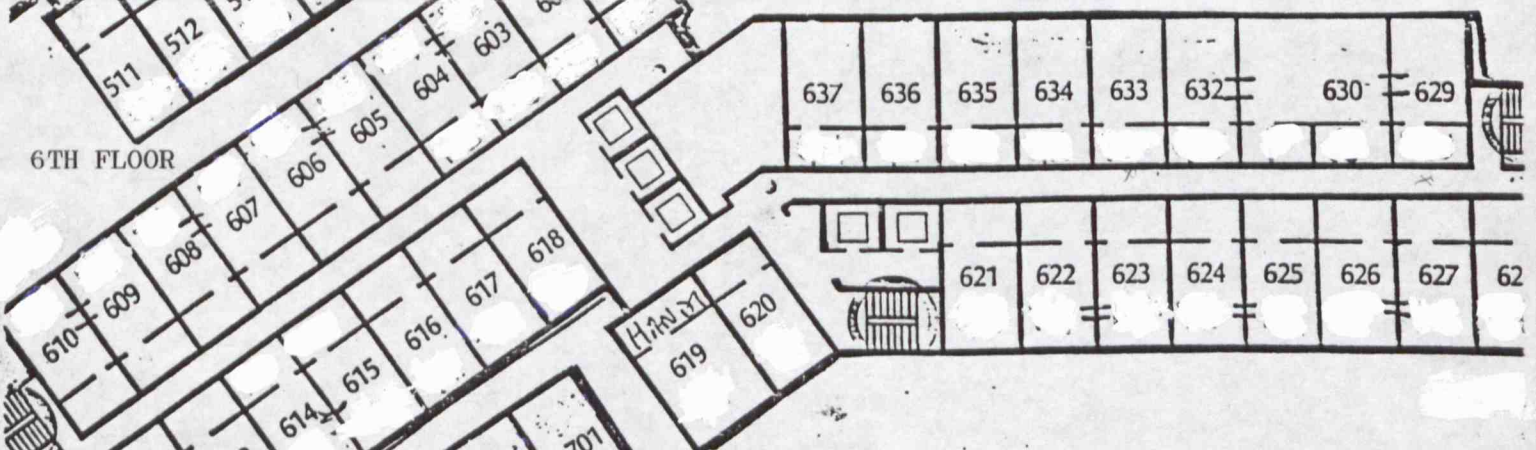
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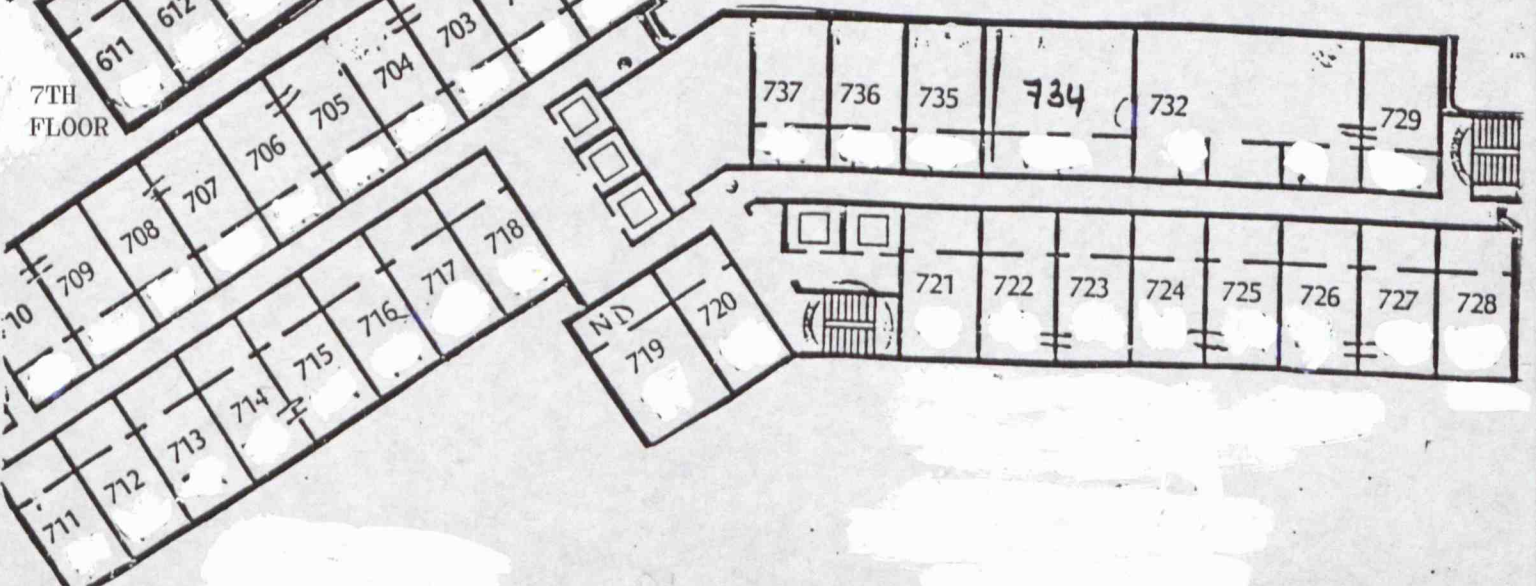
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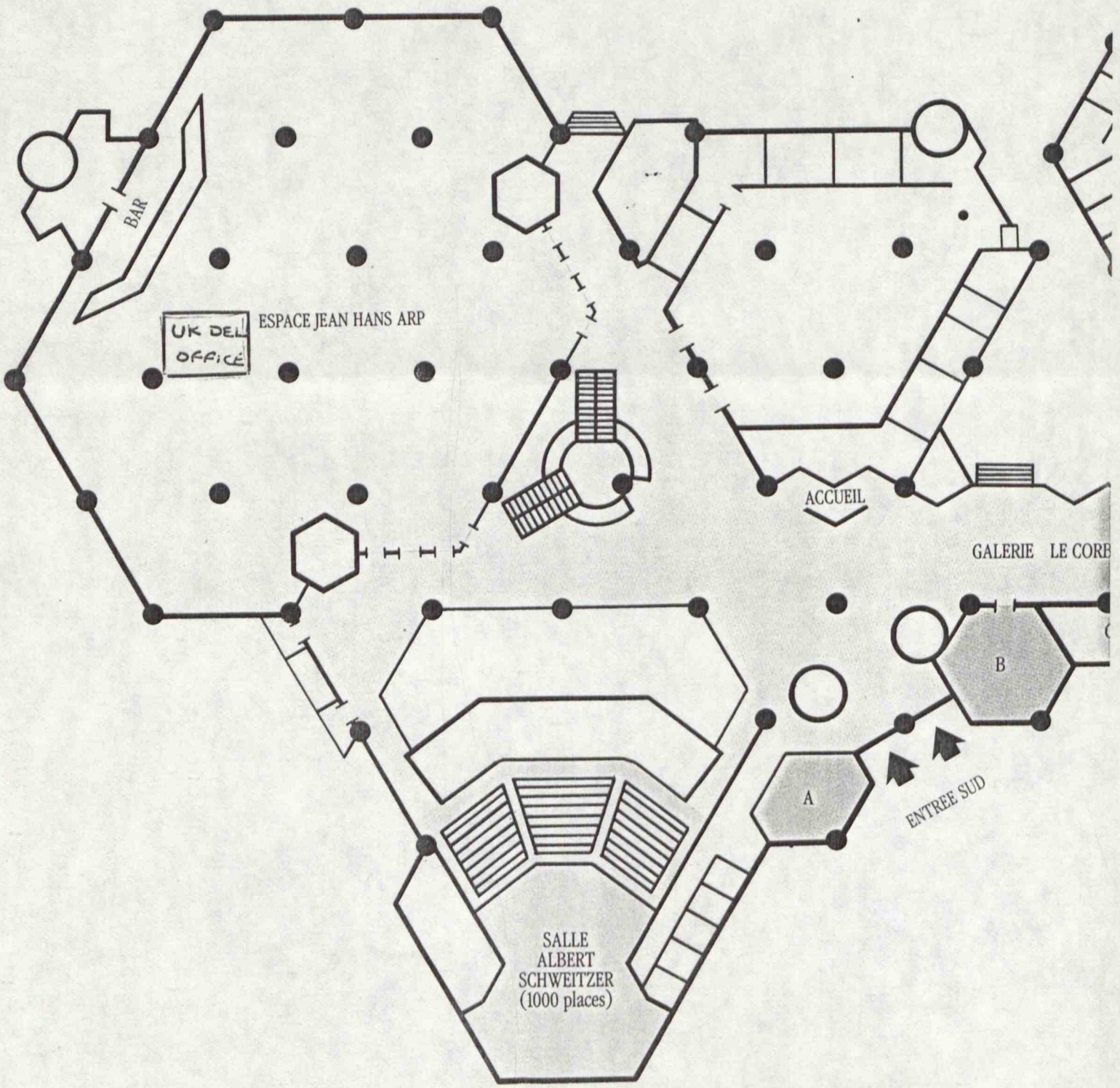


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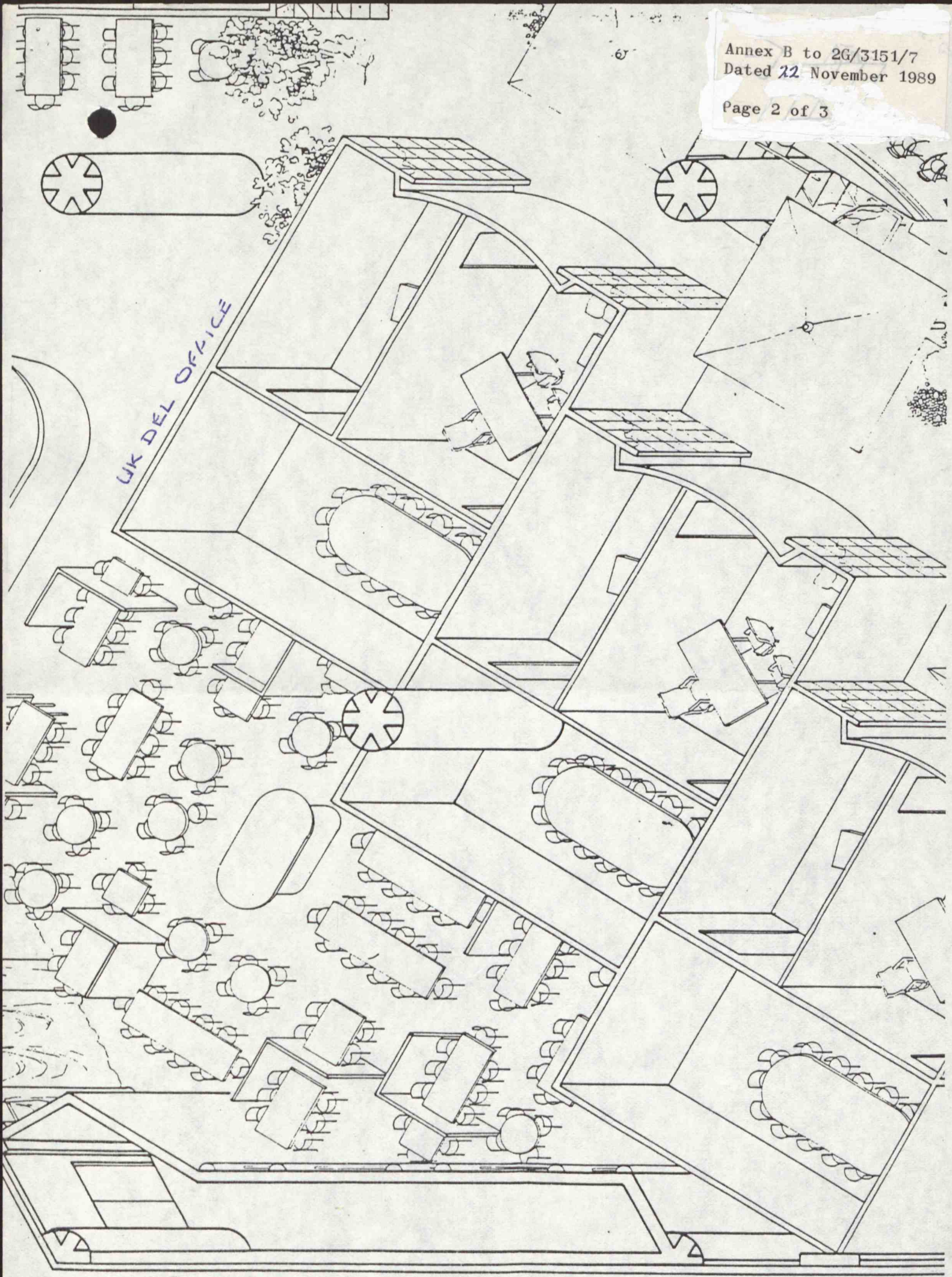
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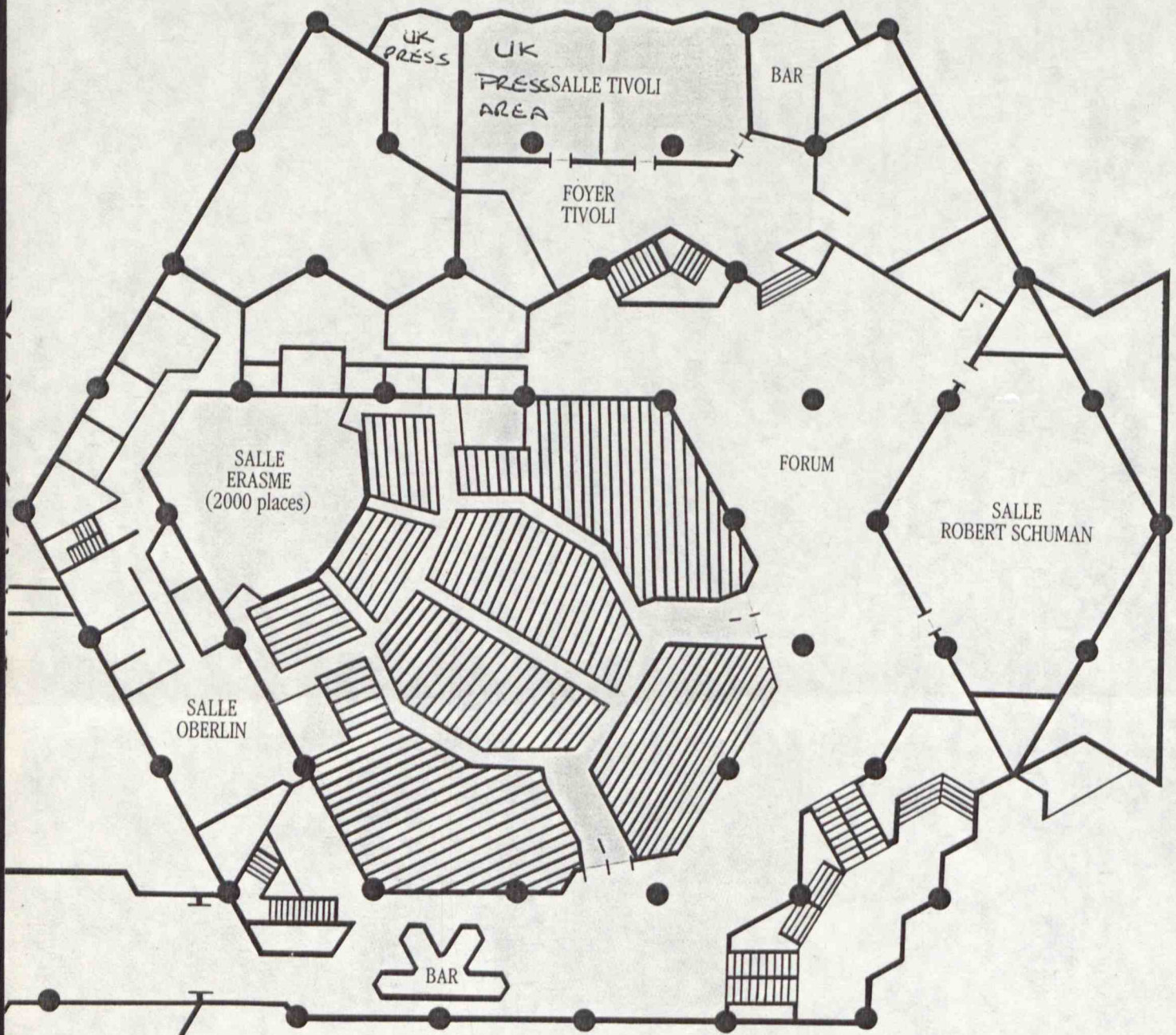
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LE PALAIS  
DE LA MUSIQUE ET DES CONGRÈS  
DE STRASBOURG



10 DOWNING STREET

~~Ansarda,~~

Please see the attached.  
Would you like us to  
arrange a handletter for  
Straubing?

Sarg

Yes. 16/11.

I think we  
should try  
to fit an appointment  
in at a convenient  
time in the  
programme.

AP 16/11

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*cc Amanda*



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*cc Crawley  
after AP replies*

Miss S Lowe  
No 10 Downing Street  
SW1

Your reference

Our reference TXW 026/312/12

Date 16 November 1989

*Dear Sara,*

EUROPEAN COUNCIL MEETING, STRASBOURG - 8/9 DECEMBER 1989:

Hair

1. I would be grateful to know if the Prime Minister would like a hair appointment made for her during her visit to Strasbourg. If so, will the Prime Minister take her own Carmen rollers?

*yes only  
essential*

2. The Ambassador's wife highly recommends a M Andri Christ, one of Strasbourg's best hairdressers, who would be happy to come to the Residence, where the Prime Minister will be staying. He speaks some English.

✓

Climate

3. The weather in Strasbourg in December will be just slightly colder than in London.

*told  
Crawley  
17/11*

4. Dress for the Heads of Government Dinner on Friday 8 December is informal.

*Yours wu*

*Maureen Howley*

Maureen T Howley  
Protocol Department

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Your reference

Our reference

Date 16 November 1989

*Dear Sarg,*

EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG: 8-9 DECEMBER

1. As the Prime Minister will now be staying at the Residence of our Ambassador to the Council of Europe, would it be possible for an extra amount of Malvern Water to be taken on this visit? Only Perrier is available locally.

*Yours ever*

*Maureen T Howley*

Maureen T Howley  
Protocol Department

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10 DOWNING STREET  
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*From the Private Secretary*

10 November 1989

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EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG  
PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO TURKEY

Thank you for your letter of 8 November about the Prime Minister's visits to Strasbourg in December and Turkey (and possibly also Malta and Cyprus) in April.

I am glad that a BAe 146 can be made available for the visit to Strasbourg in December. I note that a BAe is 'not available' in April because one of the aircraft will be taking The Princess Royal to Yugoslavia and the other will be taking 'Palace officials' on a reconnaissance visit to the Soviet Union for The Princess Royal's visit in May. The second task is no doubt of great importance although I wonder whether a Prime Ministerial visit might not be thought to be an even higher priority for tasking the aircraft. But before deciding whether to pursue this, it would be helpful to know how long a BAe 146 would take to Istanbul (and Malta and Cyprus) compared with a VC10, so that we can assess the relative advantages.

(C.D. POWELL)

J.S. Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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*K/S*

10 DOWNING STREET  
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*From the Private Secretary*

10 November 1989

EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STRASBOURG:  
SUPPORT STAFF

Thank you for your letter of 10 November about support staff for the European Council Meeting in Strasbourg. I agree that we shall need those named in your letter.

C. D. POWELL

J. S. Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

*K/S*



Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
London SW1A 2AH

10 November 1989

*Dear Charles,*

European Council, Strasbourg: Support Staff

I should be grateful for your agreement to the inclusion of the following support staff in the UK Delegation for the European Council meeting in Strasbourg:

- two Conference Officers (Miss Maureen Howley and one other);
- one Personal Assistant from Protocol Department - to help the Conference Officers before the meeting starts and thereafter to work for the Advisers;
- six Royal Military Police - to maintain a 24-hour guard on the No 10 and FCO Private Offices, operate safehand runs, look after baggage etc;
- Cabinet Office Communications Coordinator (Mr A Hart).

Because UKDel Strasbourg has only limited resources, it will be necessary to supplement their Communications Centre. We shall, therefore, need the services of one Engineer (from the Embassy in Paris) and one Communications Officer.

*Yours,  
Stephen Wall*

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

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London SW1A 2AH

9 November 1989



Dear Charles,

~~Amade~~ noted  
to note  
AP  
13/11  
GJ

European Council, Strasbourg: 8-9 December

A BAe 146 has been reserved for the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary and accompanying party. We understand that the European Council will start at 1000 hrs on Friday, 8 December at the Palais des Congres. Timings for the BAe could therefore be:

Thursday 8 December (UK = GMT; Strasbourg = GMT+1)

ETD LHR Southside 1920 hrs  
Flying time 1hr 40 mins  
ETA Strasbourg 2200 hrs

Dinner will be served on the flight

We recommend an evening arrival because of the high risk of early morning fog.

We do not know when the meeting will end on Saturday, 9 10 December. For the moment, we propose to put the aircraft on standby for departure from Strasbourg at 1500 hrs. Flying time Strasbourg - London is 1 hr 40 mins.

James,  
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

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London SW1A 2AH

9 November 1989

*Jean Charles,*

*Duty Clerk  
to note*

*9/11*

European Council, Strasbourg: 8-9 December

You told me that the Prime Minister would stay at the Residence. There is room also for a Private Secretary and a Detective. An additional single room could be made available, but it shares a bathroom.

A No 10 Private Office will be set up in the Residence Study.

Because of the lack of space at the Residence, the Foreign Secretary will stay at the Hilton Hotel. We are keeping a set of rooms there in case the Prime Minister needs them for meetings. The other allocation of rooms would be as follows:

709/710	Foreign Secretary
708	PS/Foreign Secretary
707	Detective (FCO)
705/706	Reserved for Prime Minister
704	General Office
703	FCO Private Office
702	No 10 Private Office
701	PA/FCO
711	Detective (FCO)
712	Sir David Hannay
713	Sir John Fretwell
714	Mr Kerr
715	Mr Ingham
716	Mr Burns
717	No 10 Secretarial Assistant
718	No 10 Duty Clerk
606/607	French Security (rooms not yet nominated)
608	Treasury official
609	Cabinet Office official
610	Dept of Employment official
611	Mr Hart
612	Mr de Fonblanque
613	No 10 Detective

We have reserved three adjoining Conference Rooms on the ground floor of the Hilton Hotel which will be furnished and secured for briefings and interviews.

The remainder of our delegation would be accommodated at the Sofitel Hotel (including a suite for the Assistant Press Secretary).



Conference Centre

We will be allocated three Delegation offices and a press briefing room at the Palais des Congres.

Car distance timings

Residence to Palais des Congres	8 mins approx
Residence to Hilton	8 " "
Hilton to Palais	5 " (or 10 mins walking)
Sofitel to Palais	15 mins approx

*Yours,*  
*Stephen Wall*

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
10 Downing Street



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

8 November 1989

*Dear Charles,*

European Council, Strasbourg: December 1989/  
Prime Minister's visit to Turkey: April 1990

You asked about the possibility of using a BAe 146 from The Queen's Flight for the European Council meeting in Strasbourg in December or for the Prime Minister's proposed visit to Turkey and possibly Cyprus and Malta next April.

An aircraft would be available for the meeting in Strasbourg in December. I understand that a BAe 146 would not be available in April. One of the two aircraft in service will be involved in The Princess Royal's visit to Yugoslavia. The other will be taking Palace officials on a reconnaissance visit to the Soviet Union in preparation for The Princess Royal's visit there at the end of May.

The BAe is configured to seat 19 passengers, six in the "Royal Compartment" at the rear of the aircraft (seats and tables) and thirteen in the centre (the Household Compartment).

The aircraft is not equipped to take secure communications.

If you agree that such an aircraft should be used for Strasbourg, the excess passengers (five junior officials) can fly commercially.

*Yours,  
Stephen Wall*

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
10 Downing Street



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FROM THE OFFICE OF  
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5th September 1989

The Rt. Hon. Mrs Margaret Thatcher, MP  
Prime Minister  
10 Downing Street  
LONDON

Dear Prime Minister

Thank you once again for doing such a fine job for us at International Skill Olympics - your enthusiasm and sense of purpose are an inspiration to us all.

Jaguar plc would be delighted if you would drive in Jaguar cars when visiting other countries - we will be able to help in most countries in Europe, North America, Far East and Australasia. Our Mr Gavin Thompson will contact your office to make the necessary arrangements.

You were kind enough to ask about Jaguar's progress - we are currently operating at just above break even levels with our dollar receivables hedged at \$1.70 to the £ - these rates reflect the much weaker dollar rates in 1987 & 1988. On the other hand our cars are selling well, our cost base is improving, we have continued with our big investment programmes without borrowing money and we will be more profitable at next year's exchange rates of below \$1.60, with a neutral cash flow. However there are predators about but we are continuing to develop our plans for an independent future. We will keep government advised on our progress.

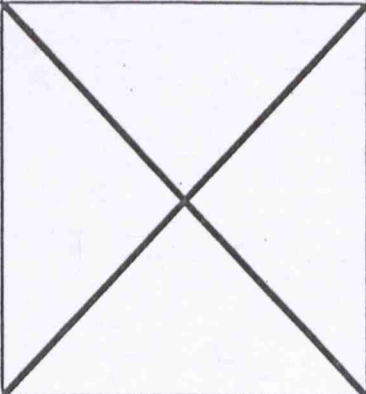
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Yours sincerely

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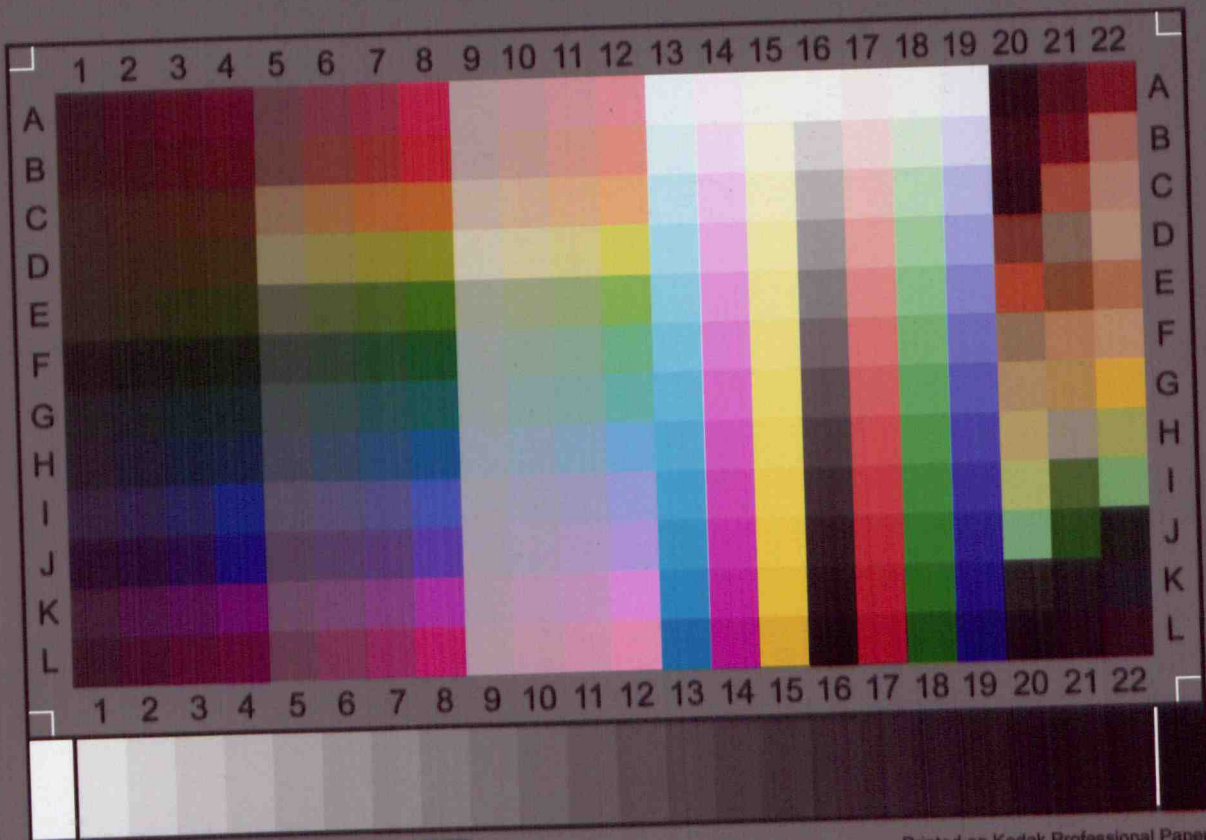
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