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*From the Private Secretary*

28 February 1989

Dear Squadron Leader Holme,

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you and your colleagues for her safe and comfortable journey to and from Paris.

She was most grateful for the traditionally excellent service which she received.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Powell

Squadron Leader D. Holme, RAF.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

28 February 1989

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PERSONAL MESSAGE

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Dear Monsieur le Président

May I thank you most warmly for your hospitality at the Anglo-French Summit in Paris yesterday. I fear that for you it came very soon after what must have been a long and tiring journey back from Tokyo. It was most considerate of you to go ahead with our meeting all the same. As always I found our talks of great value, in particular the opportunity to hear your thoughts on the forthcoming Economic Summit and on the French Presidency of the European Community in the latter part of this year, as well as on the important issues which we shall consider at the proposed NATO Summit. I am most grateful also to M. Rocard and to all those of your Ministers who took part in the meeting for their contribution.

The arrangements for the Summit - as for my private programme over the weekend - were very well done and I hope that my gratitude can be conveyed to all those responsible.

Yours sincerely

*Raymond Thatcher*

His Excellency le Président Mitterrand, GCB.



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THE PRIME MINISTER

28 February 1989

*Dear Sara and Ewen.*

I cannot tell you how much we enjoyed our weekend in Paris. It was marvellous to have a break from the routine of London and Chequers - and very good of you and Sara to go to so much trouble for us. Your dinner guests were very well chosen and I was delighted to have the chance to talk both to Raymond Barre and Jacques Chirac, as well as to meet some new faces. There is no doubt that Madame Cresson is a formidable politician. It was very noticeable how warmly all those who came to dinner spoke of you both, which is a great tribute to your success here. And what exquisite food and wine - quite devastating to all our good intentions!

I was pleased to see the Gauguin exhibition and Vaux-le-Vicomte, both of which remind one of the strength of French culture. Who could possibly want to submerge that in a European blancmange!

Would you please thank all your staff for their kindness and care - and once again, our very warm gratitude to both of you.

*Yours ever*

*Margaret*

His Excellency Sir Ewen Fergusson, KCMG,  
and Lady Fergusson.



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THE PRIME MINISTER

27 February 1989

Dear Monsieur le Directeur.

I was most grateful to you for arranging for me to visit the Gauguin exhibition while I was in Paris. To have put together such a remarkable exhibition is a unique achievement. What boldness and colour: one comes away with spirits lifted!

Thank you also for your great courtesy in coming to the Musée d'Orsay for my visit and for making it possible for me to enjoy the pictures in such style.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

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Monsieur Olivier Chevrillon



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THE PRIME MINISTER

27 February 1989

Dear Madame et Monsieur de Vogüé

I cannot find words to thank you enough for your very kind hospitality last weekend. The Chateau of Vaux-le-Vicomte is a formidable reminder of the power and glory that France already enjoyed in the seventeenth century. Your work in preserving it for future generations deserves the highest praise. I am most grateful to you for taking the trouble to explain the Chateau's history so fully. You were particularly kind indeed to have us to lunch as well - and what a lovely and cheerful family occasion it was! It is the fate of Prime Ministers not to have many free Sundays. I cannot remember when I have enjoyed one so much, and I shall always be grateful to you.

I hope very much that you will let me know, through Ewen, when you come to Britain so that we may have you both to No.10 or Chequers. Meanwhile Denis joins me in sending our warm good wishes to you and all your family - together with our gratitude to your staff.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Comte et Comtesse Patrice de Vogüé



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10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

26 February 1989

Dear Madame la Directrice,

May I thank you most warmly for your kindness in showing us round the Gauguin exhibition this morning. It made all the difference to understanding the paintings to be able to draw upon your knowledge. The exhibition is remarkable and I shall forever be glad to have had the opportunity to see so much of Gauguin's best work gathered together. Thank you also for presenting me with the catalogue which will help keep fresh the memory of these unique paintings.

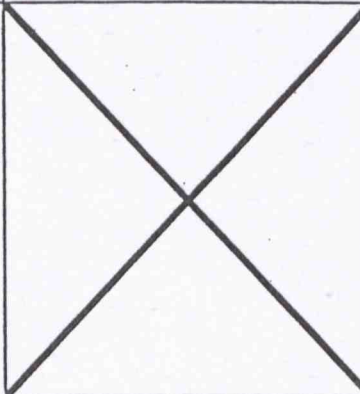
Would you also please convey my gratitude to all the members of the museum's staff who helped to make my visit possible.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Madame Françoise Cachin.

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VISIT TO PARIS BY PRIME MINISTER AND MR THATCHER  
25-26 FEBRUARY 1989

DINNER AT EMBASSY ON SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 1989

M Jacques CHIRAC

Former Prime Minister; President of the RPR; Mayor of Paris.

Born 1932. Education included a summer course at Harvard. Fought in Algeria. Ecole Nationale d'Administration. First came to notice as an energetic member of M Pompidou's Cabinet in 1962. Entered politics in 1967 winning from the Left a constituency in the Corrèze. Retained his seat in subsequent elections. Junior Minister for Social Affairs and Employment in 1967. Junior Minister under Giscard d'Estaing at the Ministry of Economy and Finance 1968-71. Subsequently Minister responsible for the Government's relations with Parliament. Minister of Agriculture (1972-74) and briefly Minister of the Interior before being appointed Giscard's first Prime Minister on 27 May 1974. Secretary-General of the Gaullist UDR (Union des Démocrates pour la Ve République) from December 1974 to June 1975 and thereafter Honorary Secretary-General. Resigned as Prime Minister in August 1976. President of the new Gaullist movement, the RPR (Rassemblement pour la République), in December 1976. Mayor of Paris since 1977. Member of the European Parliament 1979-80. Appointed Prime Minister for the second time after the March 1986 elections. Ran for President in 1988 but defeated by Mitterrand in the second round.

Chirac rose meteorically. He began as an ambitious technocrat, bent on making it to the top. He made some early mistakes; he was a failure when handling the government's relations with Parliament. But he rapidly acquired a keen political sense. He is a tireless schemer, his calculation that Chaban-Delmas would be a bad candidate in the 1974 presidential-elections and encouragement of defections from the Gaullist camp put Giscard



in his debt and helped to make him the obvious choice for Prime Minister. Despite a scrupulous façade of loyalty to Giscard, Chirac began to fall out with him at least a year before his resignation as Prime Minister. Their differences were both temperamental and political. Chirac resented Giscard's monarchical tendencies and became increasingly convinced that his strategy of winning over the soft fringe of the Left by liberal reform was mistaken. The crunch came in the cantonal elections in March 1976, which were a severe defeat for the President. Characteristically, however, Chirac moved too quickly to take advantage of Giscard's set-back, and the latter, after losing his footing for a moment, fought back, progressively reducing the powers of his Prime Minister to a point where Chirac had little alternative but to resign.

Chirac quickly relaunched himself in national politics. In an attempt to revitalise and rejuvenate the UDR, he changed its name to the RPR and was elected President of the new movement in December 1976. His victory in 1977 in the first direct election for the Paris Mairie against the Elysée candidate, d'Ornano, further aggravated his relations with Giscard.

Chirac campaigned energetically and effectively for the government in the 1978 legislative elections. Subsequently, he considered that Giscard and Barre did not give the Gaullists sufficient credit for their part in the Majority's victory. In February 1981, Chirac announced his decision to stand against Giscard for the Presidency. He received 17.99% of the first round vote.

Chirac is a man of action rather than reflection; his nickname, "the bulldozer", is apt; but there is no doubt that his combination of authority, drive and nationalism appeals to a wide range of conservative opinion. Although the RPR/UDF majority in the March 1986 elections was smaller than they had hoped, Chirac operated effectively to block Mitterrand's hopes of finding another candidate for Prime Minister who could command a parliamentary majority, and then to form a government



in which the RPR had the upper hand over the UDF. Despite their temperamental and political differences, Chirac and Mitterrand made cohabitation work, Chirac wanting enough time to show that his Government's policies could succeed, Mitterrand posing as the champion of constitutional propriety and hoping that the Government's policies would fail and Chirac become unpopular.

Chirac declared his candidature for the 1988 presidential elections early, and succeeded, through an energetic campaign, in overtaking Barre to become the Right's candidate against Mitterrand. But in its closing stages his campaign took on a frenetic air which compared badly with Mitterrand's reassuring calm: his 'coup de théâtre' in effecting the release - on the same day - of three French hostages from the Lebanon and a number of Gendarmes held captive by Kanak separatists in New Caledonia, did nothing to change the growing impression that he seemed too erratic, desperate and personally ambitious to make a good President. Chirac lost the elections in May 1988 by a decisive margin (46%-54%). He was shaken in particular by his failure to realise more than 20% as the RPR candidate in the first round. He is still in control of the RPR and its most popular figure. But he has rivals, notably Phillipe Séguin and Charles Pasqua. The RPR's Secretary-General, Alain Juppé (separate note attached) has acted as Party leader and spokesman whilst Chirac has been out of the public eye. He has loyally fended off Chirac's critics within the Party.

The RPR has recently been trying to rejuvenate and soften its image. Chirac has said that his approach to Europe during the Presidential campaign placed too much emphasis on technical, economic issues, not enough on 'human' and social questions. By a new 'caring, listening' approach the RPR hopes to appeal more to the Socialists. Chirac nonetheless has a considerable task to eradicate his image as an impulsive, over-ambitious politician.



Chirac is campaigning vigorously in Paris for the forthcoming Municipal Elections. He will certainly be re-elected Mayor (Paris is an RPR stronghold - last time they took all twenty arrondissements). But the Socialists, led by Pierre Joxe, are this time mounting a major effort to take back some arrondissements. If they succeed, Chirac risks seeing renewed attacks within the RPR on his leadership.

He is married to an attractive and socially assiduous wife, Bernadette, niece of de Courcel. Two daughters. He speaks reasonably good English.



M Alain JUPPE

Secretary-General of the RPR. Former Ministre délégué responsible to the Minister of the Economy and Finance for the Budget.

Born 1945. Educated at the prestigious Ecole Normale Supérieure, Sciences-Po and ENA, becoming an Inspecteur de Finances in 1972. Worked in Chirac's Prime Ministerial cabinet in 1976 and subsequently for the then Minister for Co-Operation (Aid). He joined Chirac in the Hotel de Ville in Paris in 1978, becoming Deputy Mayor of Paris in 1983 and taking on responsibility for the city's financial and budget affairs. He became RPR National Secretary for Economic Recovery in 1984 and played a leading (and liberal) role in preparation of RPR and subsequently RPR/UDF economic policy. Elected a député for the Paris area in March 1986. Appointed Secretary-General of the RPR by Chirac in June 1988.

Demonstrated a vigorous approach to budgetary problems whilst Minister, juggling with the difficult task of reducing simultaneously taxation, expenditure and the budget deficit. But clearly found Balladur's close supervision irksome. Since Chirac's defeat in the 1988 Presidential elections, Juppé has loyally held the fort for him within the RPR, fending off those, like Philippe Séguin who questioned Chirac's leadership. He has forged a new team of députés in their thirties and forties (Barzach, Perben, Sarkozy, Alliot-Marie) with the aim of rejuvenating the party's image. Favours building bridges with the same generation in the Parti Républicain (Léotard, Madelin). But accused by some in the RPR of neglecting its traditional, provincial Gaullist base for superficial Parisian slickness.

Married, his wife is called Eva. They have two children.

M Jérôme MONOD

Right wing businessman. Born in 1930 and educated in schools in Paris and at ENA, Monod spent the early part of his career in the private offices ("cabinets") of Gaullist Ministers including Debré (Prime Minister 1959-62) and Chirac during his first spell as Prime Minister (1974-76). He was Secretary-General of the RPR, Chirac's party, from 1976-78. Since 1979 he has worked in the private sector, while retaining his links with Chirac and the RPR. He has been Chief Executive of the large French water company, Lyonnaise des Eaux, since 1989, and a board member of numerous other companies.

Lyonnaise des Eaux is a major French company, with a 1987 turnover of Fr 16.9 billion (£1.5 billion) and a workforce of around 36,000. It's main activities are water supply and distribution (42% of turnover), water treatment (11%), energy and heating (19%), mortuary services (14%) and - more recently - cable and television.

Lyonnaise des Eaux, like the other two French water distribution companies, Générale des Eaux and SAUR (a subsidiary of the construction company Bouygues) has recently been buying into the English statutory water companies as part of a strategy to increase market share in the Community, and to take advantage of deregulation in the United Kingdom industry after the privatisation of the water authorities. Lyonnaise des Eaux have a controlling interest in Sunderland and South Shields, Newcastle and Gateshead, Essex and East Anglian water companies; Générale des Eaux in Lee Valley, North Surrey, Tendring, and Folkestone; SAUR in mid-Sussex, Eastbourne and West Kent. One or other of the companies has minority stakes in the Rickmansworth, Colne Valley, Mid Southern, Mid-Kent, British and South Staffordshire companies.

Married, his wife is called Françoise, they have three children. Speaks good English.



VISIT TO PARIS BY PRIME MINISTER AND MR THATCHER  
25-26 FEBRUARY 1989

DINNER AT EMBASSY ON SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 1989

Madame Edith CRESSON

Minister for European Affairs.

Born 1935 near Paris. Daughter of a Socialist senior civil servant. Economist by training. Joined the Socialist Party (PS) after meeting Mitterrand (to whom she has been very close) in the sixties. Active in PS youth and student section; member of the PS Management Committee 1975-81. She freely admitted that she owed her place in the Party leadership to the rule that the top bodies must contain at least 10% women. MEP 1979-81. Having twice run unsuccessfully against the incumbent centrist notable in a Vienne constituency, she finally won the seat in 1981. Minister of Agriculture in 1981; Minister of External Trade 1983; also of Industrial Redeployment 1984. PS Deputy from 1986-88. Became Minister for European Affairs in May 1988.

Mme Cresson is an attractive woman with an exuberant personal and political style. Reckoned by some to be too fond of confrontation, she is said nevertheless to be open to advice. Not a subtle analyst, but comes across well on TV. She wrote a somewhat artless political autobiography 'Avec le Soleil' in 1977. As Minister of Agriculture, she overcame conservative French farmers' mistrust of a woman Minister with no farming background. As Minister for External Trade she was willing to contemplate protectionism to reduce the trade deficit.



As Minister for European Affairs Mme Cresson has a coordinating role for all EC affairs. She takes an interest in and attempts to influence French policy on all the major issues on the Community agenda, which does not always endear her to her colleagues, such as Bérégovoy (Finance Minister) and Fauroux (Industry Minister). She has also been asked to coordinate the adaptation of the French economy to the imperatives of the Single Market programme. Working groups on which industrialists sit alongside officials have been set up to advise her on changes in French law and practice.

Married to a Peugeot executive. Two children. Has visited England many times (most recently 7 February for talks with Mrs Chalker and DTI Ministers). Good English.

Separate note on M Cresson attached.



M Jacques CRESSON

M Cresson is a Directeur of FRECOM (Société Française des Echanges Commerciaux). This is a division of the Peugeot-Citroën joint purchasing department which trades as SOGEDAC (Société Générale des Achats). FRECOM is responsible for compensation trading with those countries - Yugoslavia, Portugal for example, where this is a requirement for selling cars. Where possible these compensation purchasing deals are done in car components (usually low cost, low technical products such as jacks, tyre braces etc) but where this is not possible they trade in other commodities.

M Cresson reports directly to the Président-Directeur-Général of SOGEDAC, M Jean Perronin.



M Raymond BARRE

Former Prime Minister.

Born 1924 in Réunion, Professor at Caen, then Paris. Director of Economic Research at the National Institute of Political Sciences 1958. Cabinet of the Jeanneney (Minister of Industry 1959-62). Professor of Political Economy, Sciences - Po 1963. Vice-President of the EC Commission, with responsibility for economic and financial affairs 1967-72. Member of the General Council of the Bank of France in 1973. His first Ministerial post in Giscard's Government was as Minister of Foreign Trade January to August 1976, when he replaced Chirac as Prime Minister. Reappointed Prime Minister following the Government's success in the 1978 legislative elections and remained in office until Giscard's defeat in May 1981. UDF Deputy for Lyons since 1978.

President Giscard referred to him as "the best economist in France", but as an academic Barre was more concerned with teaching than original research. His main work on political economy (published in 1956) became a basic text-book for French universities. He is an economic liberal and a monetary disciplinarian.

Barre was a surprise choice as Prime Minister in 1976, having played no previous part in partisan politics. He was appointed to bring the economy under control after Chirac's response to the first oil shock - a massive injection of additional demand into the economy through an increased fiscal deficit and rapid monetary growth - had apparently contributed to high inflation, and a deteriorating balance of payments. While Barre was in office industrial competitiveness and export performance improved but inflation stayed high and unemployment rose. As the country went into the Presidential election of 1981, Barre's policies were unpopular even among those on the right. Soon after, however, many came to compare his performance favourably with that of his socialist successor. He regained sufficient popularity to stand again for President in 1988, but ran an ill-judged, complacent



Presidential campaign, enabling Jacques Chirac to knock him out in the first round.

He affects a detached, Gaullien approach to politics, cultivating the image of a man above party calculations and compromises, to whom the country can rally. He has therefore made a point of refusing to found his own party despite pressure from sympathisers to do so. But he is not a General without troops. He has been energetic in establishing a country-wide network of supporters and has worked with skill and success to convert growing numbers within the UDF to Barrism. Since Mitterrand's re-election in May 1988 he has kept his distance from Government and Opposition alike, whilst behind-the-scenes encouraging the centrists to break away from Giscard d'Estaing's UDF and form their own political grouping. He wants to overcome the Left/Right divide and rally a wide consensus around moderate policies. In November 1988, he founded the "Liberal, European and Social Convention" (CLES), to debate French and European issues. It is intended to inject new life into French politics by attracting people outside the political classes, especially young people and women. Barre denies that it is a political party.

Barre is number three on the list of the outgoing UDF Mayor of Lyons (who is 78 years old). Barre may be lining himself up to succeed him next time round. Characteristically, he denies this and presents himself as aloof from local politicking. An opinion poll published in "Le Figaro" on 9 February showed that Raymond Barre remains the most popular Opposition leader for the French as a whole. But Jacques Chirac is more popular with the Right.

Though a convinced European, Barre found it hard to reconcile himself to the UK's accession to the EC (not because he was anti-British, but because he believed that this would alter the EC balance to France's disadvantage). Now he accepts that times have changed.

His wife Eva is of Hungarian descent. They have two sons. He speaks good English.



Baron Ernest-Antoine ("Ernekind") SEILLIERE DE LABORDE

Chairman of CGIP (a holding group with interests in packaging, cement, computer software and financial services).

Vice-Chairman of the CNPF (French equivalent of the CBI) and Chairman of their economic sub-committee.

Born 1937. He read law at Paris University and spent two years at the Ecole Nationale d'Administration before joining the French diplomatic service in 1966. His diplomatic career was spent mainly in the cabinets of successive Foreign Ministers. He then left in 1976 to join Wendel, the family firm once famous as the leading steelmaker in Lorraine, but by then in serious financial difficulty.

The steelworks closed in 1978, and the Wendel empire came close to bankruptcy. But M Seillière has rebuilt the family fortunes, through the Compagnie Générale d'Industrie et de Participations (CGIP), to the point where CGIP is one of the 50 largest firms in France, with a 1987 turnover of FF12 billion, generating a FF550 million profit.

Companies in which CGIP have a major stake include Cap Gemini (a computer software group with substantial operations in the UK) and Carnaud (a packaging company whose plans announced last autumn to merge with Metal Box have run into shareholder resistance).

M Seillière is a leading candidate to become the next head of the CNPF. He was guest speaker at a seminar on mergers and acquisitions organised at the Embassy in January 1989.

Married with four children. Speaks impeccable English.

PRIME MINISTER

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cc: Mr Thatcher

VISIT TO PARIS

I attach a note with the guest lists for various meals in Paris over the weekend.

CDP

CHARLES POWELL

24 February 1989

DINNER ON SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY

Madame Edith Cresson (Minister for European Affairs) and her husband, Jacques Cresson (he is an Executive with the French motor car manufacturers Peugeot-Citroen).

Raymond Barre and his wife, Eva.

Baron Ernest-Antoine (Ernekind) Seilliere (Deputy-Head of the French Employers Federation, and a prominent businessman). His wife cannot come.

Michael and Colette Llewellyn Smith (Minister at the Embassy).

Sir Ewen Fergusson (HM Ambassador) and his wife Sara

Charles Powell

GAUGUIN EXHIBITION ON SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Monsieur Olivier Chevrillon (Director of Musees de France) and Madame Caschin (Directrice Musee D'Orsay).

LUNCH AT VAUX LE VICOMTE, SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Comte Patrice de Vogue and his wife Tina (who is Italian) and their two sons.

Sir Ewen Fergusson and Lady Fergusson, their daughter Iona and, possibly, their son Ewen.

Charles Powell

DINNER ON SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

Monsieur Jacques Chirac and his wife Bernadette

Monsieur Alain Juppe and his wife Christine (he is former Budget Minister and is now Secretary General of the RPR).

Monsieur Jerome Monod and his wife Francoise (he is a former Secretary General of the RPR, close to Chirac, and now Head of the Societe Lyonnaise Des Eaux).

Genevieve Francois Poncet (sister of Jean Francois Poncet, former French Foreign Minister)

Sir Ewen and Lady Fergusson

Jeremy and Anne Greenstock (Head of Chancery)

Charles Powell

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PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE VISIT TO PARIS: 25-26 FEBRUARY

1. HERE IS A LIST OF THOSE WHOM THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BE MEETING:-

(A) DINNER ON SATURDAY 25 APRIL

(I) MADAME EDITH CRESSON, MINISTER FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, AND HER HUSBAND, JACQUES CRESSON (HE IS AN EXECUTIVE WITH THE FRENCH MOTOR CAR MANUFACTURERS PEUGEOT-CITROEN)

(II) RAYMOND BARRE AND HIS WIFE EVA

(III) BARON ERNEST-ANTOINE (ERNEKIND) SEILLIERE DEPUTY HEAD OF THE FRENCH EMPLOYERS FEDERATION, AND A PROMINENT BUSINESSMAN: HIS WIFE CANNOT COME

(IV) MICHAEL AND COLETTE LLEWELLYN SMITH (MINSTER AT THE EMBASSY)

(B) GAUGUIN EXHIBITION ON SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY M. OLIVIER CHEVRILLON, DIRECTOR OF MUSEES DE FRANCE, AND MME CASCHIN, DIRECTRICE MUSEE D'ORSAY

(C) LUNCH AT VAUX LE VICOMTE COMTE PATRICE DE VOGUE AND HIS WIFE TINA, WHO IS ITALIAN, THEIR TWO SONS, MY DAUGHTER IONA (21) AND (POSSIBLY) MY SON EWEN (23)

(D) DINNER ON SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

(I) M. JACQUES CHIRAC AND HIS WIFE BERNADETTE

(II) M. ALAIN JUPPE AND HIS WIFE CHRISTINE (HE IS FORMER BUDGET MINISTER AND IS NOW SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE RPR)

(III) M. JEROME MONOD AND HIS WIFE FRANCOISE. (HE IS A FORMER SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE RPR, CLOSE TO CHIRAC: NOW HEAD OF THE SOCIETE LYONNAISE DES EAUX)

(IV) GENEVIEVE FRANCOIS PONCET, SISTER OF JEAN FRANCOIS PONCET, FORMER FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER

(V) JEREMY AND ANNE GREENSTOCK (HEAD OF CHANCERY).

2. ALL THE ABOVE SPEEK ENGLISH, MOSTLY WITH EASE.

3. DETAILED BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES ON DINNER GUESTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON ARRIVAL, TOGETHER WITH A LIST OF EMBASSY STAFF AND WIVES ATTENDING THE SMALL RECEPTION ON SUNDAY EVENING.

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*Jean Charles*

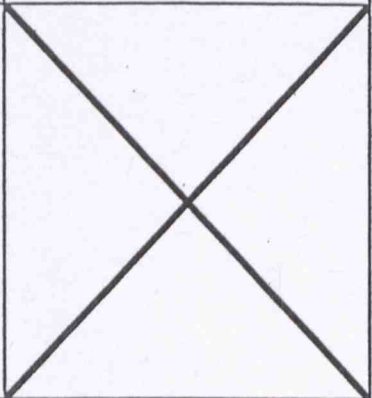
Thank you for your letter of 22nd February about the Prime Minister's intended absence in France from 25th to 27th February for the Anglo-French summit. The Queen has approved that the Prime Minister should be absent from the country on these dates.

*Robert Fellowes*

(ROBERT FELLOWES)

Charles Powell, Esq.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

1. FOLLOWING IS BRIEF SUMMARY OF ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS:-

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2. PRIVATE OFFICES WILL BE SET UP IN THE ELYSEE PALACE (SALLE FOURNIER) AND IN THE EMBASSY (RESIDENCE) (SEE BELOW FOR TELEPHONE NUMBERS). SAFEHAND RUNS WILL OPERATE BETWEEN CHANCERY AND PRIVATE OFFICES.

TRANSPORT

3. CAR PLAN FOR ARRIVAL IN MIFT. DETAILED CAR PLANS WILL BE HANDED OUT ON ARRIVAL. FRENCH ARE PROVIDING ARMoured CARS FOR ALL MINISTERS.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

4. EMBASSY SWITCHBOARD: 42 66 91 42  
PM'S PRIVATE OFFICE IN EMBASSY : 42 66 91 42 EXT 373 OR 374  
AMBASSADOR'S PRIVATE SECRETARY  
(CONTACT POINT FOR MESSAGES): 42 66 91 42 EXT 202  
ELYSEE SWITCHBOARD: 42 92 81 00  
PRIVATE OFFICE IN ELYSEE: 42 92 81 00. EXT 8777  
PRIVATE OFFICE IN ELYSEE (VIA EMBASSY SWITCHBOARD):  
42 66 91 42 EXT 485 + 486  
PRIVATE OFFICE IN ELYSEE (DIRECT LINE): 42 65 87 25 AND  
42 65 88 04  
QUAI D'ORSAY SWITCHBOARD: 47 53 53 53  
QUAI D'ORSAY: M. DUMAS'S SECRETARIAT: 47 53 53 53 EXT 4000 OR 4001  
QUAI D'ORSAY: RECEPTION DESK: 47 53 40 39  
MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR SWITCHBOARD: 45 22 90 90  
M. JOXE'S SECRETARIAT: 42 66 13 47 OR  
42 60 35 35 EXT 20 40  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SWITCHBOARD: 40 65 30 11  
M. CHEVENEMENT'S SECRETARIAT: 47 05 72 41  
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY SWITCHBOARD: 45 56 36 36  
M. FAUROUX'S SECRETARIAT: 47 05 00 94

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VILLACOUBLAY MILITARY AIRFIELD SWITCHBOARD: 46 30 23 88  
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- ' ' - OPERATIONS' ROOM: 46 30 23 88. EXT 20 01

5. FCO: PLEASE ADVANCE TO 10 DOWNING STREET, PRIVATE SECRETARIES TO  
S/S FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, HOME SECRETARY, S/S FOR  
DEFENCE AND S/S FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, AND TO CONFERENCE SECTION,  
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ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT : 27 FEBRUARY : PROGRAMME

1. FOLLOWING IS PROGRAMME AS PROPOSED BY FRENCH:-

- 1000 : ARRIVE VILLACOUBLAY  
(MET BY MR LLEWELLYN SMITH (MINISTER, EMBASSY),  
WING COMMANDER DAVIES (ASSISTANT AIR ATTACHE),  
MISS RAMSEY (VISITS OFFICER). I SHALL BE AT EMBASSY  
WITH PRIME MINISTER)
- 1030 : BILATERALS:  
- PRIME MINISTER/M. MITTERRAND AT ELYSEE PALACE  
(ACCOMPANIED BY MR POWELL).  
  
- S/S FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS/M. DUMAS AT  
QUAI D'ORSAY (ACCOMPANIED BY SIR J FRETWELL, MR BAYNE,  
MR WALL, MR QUAYLE (FIRST SECRETARY) AND ME)  
  
- HOME SECRETARY/M. JOXE AT MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR  
(ACCOMPANIED BY MR LLEWELLYN SMITH, MR ANGEL, MR HYDE,  
MR MAWER).  
  
- S/S DEFENCE/M. CHEVENEMENT AT MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
(ACCOMPANIED BY SIR M QUINLAN, MR COLSTON, DA AND  
MR COX (FIRST SECRETARY)).  
  
- S/S TRADE AND INDUSTRY/M. FAUROUX AT MINISTRY OF  
INDUSTRY (ACCOMPANIED BY MISS NEVILLE-ROLFE, MR THORNTON,  
MR JENKINS (FIRST SECRETARY)).
- 1215 : PLENARY SESSION AT ELYSEE  
(MINISTERS PLUS MR POWELL, MR INGHAM, MR WALL, SIR J  
FRETWELL, MR BAYNE PLUS ONE OFFICIAL EACH FROM HOME  
OFFICE, MOD AND DTI. FROM EMBASSY: MR LLEWELLYN SMITH,  
MR GREENSTOCK (HEAD OF CHANCERY) AND ME)
- 1315 : LUNCH AT ELYSEE (MINISTERS PLUS MR POWELL AND ME, AND

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(TO BE CONFIRMED) MR INGHAM).

1315 : SEPARATE LUNCH AT QUAI D'ORSAY FOR ALL OTHER PARTICIPANTS.

1500 : PRESS CONFERENCE AT ELYSEE (APPROX 45 MINUTES).

1545/50: DEPART FOR VILLACOUBLAY

1615

ONWARDS: TAKE-OFF FROM VILLACOUBLAY.

2. FRENCH HAVE PROPOSED THAT OFFICIALS LUNCHING AT QUAI D'ORSAY LEAVE DIRECT FOR VILLACOUBLAY FROM QUAI, EXCEPT FOR PRIVATE SECRETARIES WHO WOULD REJOIN MINISTERS IN TIME FOR PRESS CONFERENCE. THERE WOULD THUS BE TWO CORTEGES FOR RETURN JOURNEY TO AIRPORT. VIP LOUNGE IS AVAILABLE.

3. SEE MIPTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND CAR PLAN.

4. FCO: PLEASE ADVANCE TO 10 DOWNING STREET, PRIVATE SECRETARIES TO S/S FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, HOME SECRETARY, S/S FOR DEFENCE, AND S/S FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY, AND TO CONFERENCE SECTION, FCO.

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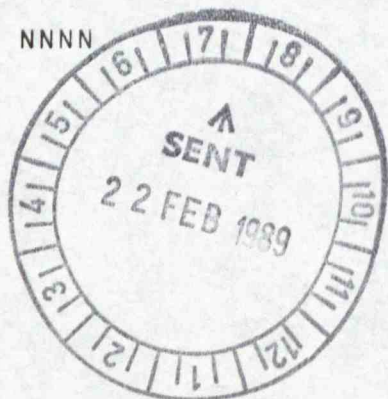
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*Miss Patricia Selley*

*With the compliments of*

**PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT**

**Overseas Conferences and Visits  
Section**

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**BRITISH EMBASSY**

35, rue du Faubourg Saint-Honoré - 75383 Paris Cedex 08

Telephone : 42 66 91 42

Miss M Goldsmith  
Conference Section  
Protocol Department  
FCO

Your reference

Our reference

Date 22 February 1989

PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE VISIT TO PARIS : 25-26 FEBRUARY :  
TELEPHONES

1. As promised, I list below the extension numbers of the rooms in the Embassy being used by the Prime Minister's party next weekend. The telephone number of the Embassy switchboard (which serves both Chancery and the Residence) is 42 66 91 42.

	<u>Ext</u>
Prime Minister's Bedroom	371
Prime Minister's Office	370
Mr Powell's Bedroom	372
Private Office	373 and 374
Police Officers' Bedrooms	368, 365 and 364
(Ambassador's Bedroom	387
Gatehouse (Head of Chancery's Residence)	460)

the In absence of a reply from the above extensions, a message can be left with either extension 352 or the switchboard.

2. Miss Jelley's telephone number at the Hotel Castiglione is 42 65 07 50.

3. You kindly said you would pass the above to N° 10.

*Yours sincerely,*  
*Pat Ramsey*

Pat Ramsey

CC: David Blunt Esq LVO, WED, FCO



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10 DOWNING STREET  
LONDON SW1A 2AA

*From the Private Secretary*

22 February 1989

The Prime Minister intends to visit France from 25-27 February for the Anglo-French summit. 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., C.B., L.V.O.

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PRIME MINISTER

ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT: GIFTS

✓ You will probably want to give President Mitterrand a gift at the Anglo-French Summit. We could give him a large Armada silver dish (£300) or an Imari bowl (about the same price). I have tried to think whether there is anything which match his passion for globes but have not come up with anything. Agree one of the above?

You ought also to take a gift for the de Vogues with whom you will lunch on Sunday at Vaux-le-Vicomte. I suggest two Imari Crown Derby goblets. Content?

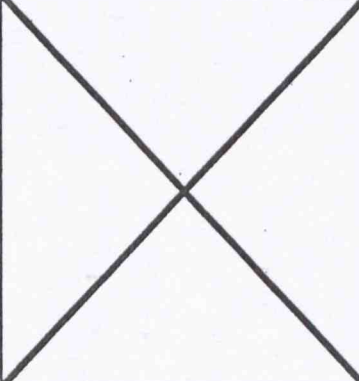
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*From the Private Secretary*

17 February 1989

**ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT, 27 FEBRUARY:  
MINISTERIAL AND OFFICIAL ATTENDANCE**

Thank you for your letter of 16 February about Ministerial and official attendance at the Anglo-French Summit. The arrangements which you propose are acceptable.

I am copying this letter to Brian Hawtin (Ministry of Defence), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Gareth Jones (Department of Trade and Industry) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

(CHARLES POWELL)

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

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16 February 1989

*Dear Charles,*

Anglo-French Summit: 27 February: Ministerial  
and Official Attendance

The Prime Minister has agreed that the Foreign, Defence Home and Trade and Industry Secretaries should attend the Anglo-French Summit. The French have agreed on corresponding attendance. We propose that the Ministers accompanying the Prime Minister should bring officials as follows:

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Mr J S Wall	Private Secretary
Sir John Fretwell	Political Director
Mr N P Bayne	Deputy Under Secretary (Economic), who will be in Paris that day in any case.

Home Office

Mr P J C Mawer	Private Secretary
Mr G Angel	Under Secretary
Mr W Hyde	Deputy Secretary

Ministry of Defence

Mr B R Hawtin	Private Secretary
Sir Michael Quinlan	Permanent Under Secretary

Department of Trade and Industry

Mr G Jones	Private Secretary
Mr C W Roberts	Deputy Secretary

As with the Anglo-German Summit, Philip Mawer has asked that Mr Hyde, who is National Coordinator for 1992 frontier questions, should exceptionally be included, because of the importance of this aspect of the Home Secretary's discussions with M. Joxe.

I should be grateful for confirmation that the above arrangements are acceptable.

I am copying this letter to Brian Hawtin (MOD), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Gareth Jones (DTI) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

*J. S. Wall*  
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Thank you for these details. No other requests.



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YOUR TEL NO MISC 81: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT

1. ON YOUR SPECIFIC POINTS:

- MEETING WITH SENIOR STAFF WITH WIVES (APPROXIMATELY 50  
PARTICIPANTS) FIXED FOR SUNDAY. 1800-1900

- PRIVATE VISIT TO GAUGUIN EXHIBITION ARRANGED FOR SUNDAY. 0900

- BOTH DINNERS BLACK TIE.

2. ANY DIETARY OR OTHER REQUESTS ?

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*From the Private Secretary*

13 February 1989

**ANGLO/FRENCH SUMMIT**

Thank you for your letter of 13 February.  
I think that the Prime Minister would be  
happy to use Monsieur Thierry as interpreter,  
provided he is prepared to do it on his own.

**CHARLES POWELL**

Richard Gozney Esq  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

13 February 1989

Dear Charles,

Anglo-French Summit, 27 February: Interpretation

Interpretation will be required for the Prime Minister's meeting with President Mitterrand. It would be helpful to have guidance as to whether the Prime Minister would be content for a French government interpreter, probably Monsieur Thierry, to act as interpreter for her or whether she would prefer Mrs Maria Fairweather, who has acted in the past.

Yours ever,

Richard Gozney

(R H T Gozney)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
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FOLLOWING PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR FROM CHARLES POWELL,  
NO. 10 DOWNING STREET

YOUR TELNO 190: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS

1. THE PRIME MINISTER IS MOST GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE TROUBLE WHICH YOU ARE TAKING OVER HER PRIVATE VISIT AND WELL CONTENT WITH THE PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS.

2. A NUMBER OF SPECIFIC POINTS:

- I THINK THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD PREFER TO MEET THE SENIOR STAFF ON THE SUNDAY.
- GAUGUIN WINS BY A SHORT HEAD FROM RODIN.
- INVITATION TO VAUX-LE-VICOMTE ACCEPTED WITH PLEASURE.
- VERY HAPPY WITH GUEST LISTS (SAVE PERHAPS A SLIGHT GULP OVER CRESSON, BUT NO MATTER). NO OTHER SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE.
- ARE DINNERS BLACK TIE?

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PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE VISIT TO PARIS 25-26 FEBRUARY 1989

I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING OUTLINE TIMETABLE:

SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY

1500 UK TIME - LEAVE NORTHOLT  
1700 LOCAL TIME - ARRIVE VILLACOUBLAY MILITARY AIRPORT  
1730 ARRIVE EMBASSY  
1800-1900 MEET SENIOR STAFF (FIRST SECRETARIES AND ABOVE) AND  
WIVES FOR A DRINK (OR ON SUNDAY, PLEASE ADVISE) - e1  
2015 FOR 2030 SMALL DINNER (12-14) (AT PRESENT I HAVE ASKED MME  
CRESSON AND HUSBAND, BARRES AND SEILLIERES - NO 2  
IN PATRONAT. ALL ENGLISH SPEAKERS, AS A SELECTION  
OF PROMINENT PERSONALITIES WHO WILL NOT BE AT THE  
MONDAY SUMMIT)

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

0900-1000 PRIVATE VISIT TO MUSEE RODIN (WHICH THE PRIME  
MINISTER MENTIONED) OR TO THE MAJOR GAUGUIN  
EXHIBITION AT THE GRAND PALAIS. PLEASE ADVISE  
WHICH. IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A MONDAY  
0900 VISIT ALSO BUT I ASSUME THAT YOU WOULD NOT  
WANT THAT.  
1030 LEAVE FOR VAUX-LE-VICOMTE  
1115-1130 ARRIVE VAUX-LE-VICOMTE (APART FROM VERSAILLES, THE  
FINEST CHATEAU IN THE REGION) WALK IN PARK (FAMOUS  
LE NOTRE GARDENS) AND/OR SEE CHATEAU  
1300 LUNCH WITH THE OWNERS. COMTE AND COMTESEE PATRICE  
DE VOGUE (BOTH ARE FLUENT ENGLISH SPEAKERS AND HAVE  
BEEN MUCH INFLUENCED BY UK EXPERIENCE IN HOW TO  
MAKE A MAJOR PRIVATELY-OWNED COUNTRY PROPERTY VIABLE.  
I HAVE CONSULTED THE VOGUES ON A PROVISIONAL BASIS  
(THEY WOULD BE DELIGHTED) BUT NEED TO CONFIRM WITH  
THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS THEY WILL BE AWAY FROM  
END OF THIS WEEK UNTIL JUST BEFORE 25 FEBRUARY.  
1500 LEAVE FOR PARIS  
1600 FREE AT EMBASSY  
2000 FOR 2015 SMALL DINNER (12-14) (AT PRESENT I HAVE ASKED THE  
CHIRACS, AND ALSO THE JUPPES AND JEROME MONODS:  
BOTH ARE PROMINENT SUPPORTERS OF CHIRAC, THE  
LATTER A PROMINENT INDUSTRIALIST.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER IDEAS FOR GUESTS.

NO SHOPPING PLANNED.

MITTERRAND WILL BE RETURNING FROM TOKYO ON 26 FEBRUARY AND CAN. I  
THINK, BE COUNTED OUT. I CANNOT EXCLUDE THAT ROCARD WILL COME UP  
WITH IDEAS, PROBABLY AT THE LAST MINUTE.

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13 February 1989

Dear Alex,

Anglo-French Summit, 27 February

We have, with No 10's agreement, proposed to the French that the Prime Minister be accompanied to the Paris Summit on 27 February by the Foreign, Home, Defence and Trade and Industry Secretaries, and the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

When informing the French of our Ministerial Summit delegation, we said that we naturally had it in mind that consultation between those Ministers originally proposed in the French list for the Summit (enclosed) would be taken forward, as appropriate, in bilateral meetings. The Foreign Secretary therefore hopes that, where discussions with the French would be useful, Ministerial colleagues will take advantage of the French offer and propose meetings. Early approaches would demonstrate our interest in intensifying exchanges. It would be helpful if we could be kept informed of plans for Ministerial contacts. I think that, in your own case, plans for a bilateral meeting with M. Beregevoy are already in hand.

I am copying this letter to Tom Jeffrey and Peter Wardle (DES), Clive Norris (Department of Employment), Roger Bright and Steve Watts (Department of the Environment), Eleanor Goodison (OAL); and for information to Brian Hawtin (MOD), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Neil Thornton (DTI), Shirley Stagg (MAFF) and Charles Powell (No 10).

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Stephe Wall

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

Alex Allen Esq  
PS/Chancellor of the Exchequer

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## ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT : 27 FEBRUARY

## FRENCH PROPOSALS ON MINISTERIAL PARTICIPATION

M Dumas  
Minister of Foreign Affairs

M Chevenement  
Defence Minister

M Joxe  
Interior Minister

M Fauroux  
Minister of Industry

M Jospin  
Minister of Education, Youth and Sport

M Beregovoy  
Minister of the Economy, Finance and Budget

Mme Cresson  
Minister of European Affairs

M Soisson  
Minister of Labour, Employment and Professional Training

M Lang  
Minister of Culture, Communications, Major Works and the  
Bicentenary

M Curien  
Minister of Research and Technology

M Lalonde  
Minister of State responsible for the Environment



Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food  
Whitehall Place London SW1A 2HH

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From the Minister's Private Office

Mr C Powell  
10 Downing Street  
London SW1

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10 February 1989

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Dear Mr Powell

**ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT: 27 FEBRUARY**

Further to our conversation yesterday, I now understand that M. Nallet, the Agriculture French Minister is unable to attend the Summit on Monday 27 February.

In view of this, the Minister has decided that he will not now participate in the Summit.

I am copying this letter to Richard Gozney (FCO), Brian Hawtin (MOD), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Neil Thornton (DTI) and Alex Allan (HM Treasury).

Yours sincerely

Ian Fugler

Ian Fugler  
Assistant Private Secretary

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LONDON SW1A 2AA

*From the Private Secretary*

1 February 1989

**PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE VISIT to PARIS:  
25/26 FEBRUARY**

Thank you for your letter of 31 January about the arrangements for the Prime Minister's private visit to Paris on 25/26 February. The proposals in your letter are very helpful and I should be grateful if they could be implemented. The Prime Minister wants to arrive at the Embassy in time for tea on Saturday 25 February. The HS 125s departure should be timed to make this possible.

I have told our Ambassador in Paris that one of the No. 10 detectives will be in touch with his office to arrange a reconnaissance visit.

Richard Gozney, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

(C. D. POWELL)

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PLEASE return to  
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31 January 1989

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Private Visit  
to Paris: 25/26 February

We suggest the following administrative arrangements. The Prime Minister, Mr Thatcher, you and one detective will be accommodated at the Residence. Miss Jelley has been booked into the nearby Castiglione Hotel (five minutes' walk from the Residence).

A Private Office, suitably equipped, will be set up in the Residence. Two direct dial telephones will be available in the Private Office and one in your bedroom.

The Cabinet Office are making arrangements for appropriate communications coverage.

As requested in your letter of 21 January, an HS 125 has been reserved to transport the Prime Minister and No 10 party to Paris on 25 February and return on 27 February after the Summit. Flying time: one hour 15 minutes: UK = GMT, Paris = GMT + 1. At what time do you wish to arrive in Paris on 25 February?

Arrangements will be made for Miss Jelley to receive subsistence covering 25/26 February, in addition to appropriate arrangements for members of the party on 27 February.

I should be grateful to know if you agree with these arrangements.

Yours ever,

Richard Gozney

(R H T Gozney)  
Private Secretary

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Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food  
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Mr R H T Gozney  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office  
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LONDON  
SW1A 2AH

26 January 1989

Dear Richard

CDP  
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**ANGLO FRENCH SUMMIT: PARTICIPATION**

Thank you for your letter of 20 January asking whether the Minister would wish to participate in this summit scheduled for 27 February.

The Minister has asked me to let you know that he does wish to take part and I would therefore be grateful if you would put the idea to the French.

The Minister considers that his participation would be useful to ensure that the momentum of CAP reform is maintained and would help to cement relations with the French on agriculture, prior to their taking over the Presidency in July.

\* Copies of this letter go to Charles Lowell (No 10), Brian Hawkin (MoD), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Neil Thornton (DTI), Alex Allan (HM Treasury) and Roy Griffins (DTp).

Yours sincerely

S STAGG (Mrs)

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*From the Private Secretary*

21 January 1989

**ANGLO-FRENCH SUMMIT: 22 FEBRUARY**

Thank you for your letter about aircraft for the Anglo-French Summit. I should be grateful if you would reserve an RAF HS125 for the flight to Paris on 25 February and return following the Summit on 27 February, with other Ministers and officials using an RAF Andover on 27 February.

Charles Powell

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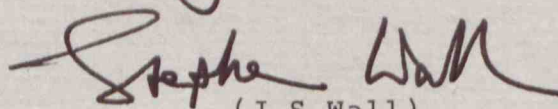
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Dear Charles,

Anglo-French Summit: 27 February

In order to assist the RAF in their flight planning, I should be grateful to know if you agree that an RAF HS125 may be reserved for the Prime Minister's flight to Paris on Saturday 25 February and to bring her back after the Anglo-French Summit meeting on the 27th, and that an RAF Andover be used for the other Ministers and delegation who will travel out and back on 27 February.

Yours,  
  
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Dear Shirley,

Anglo-French Summit: Participation

The next Anglo-French Summit will take place in Paris on 27 February. We have been considering which British Ministers might participate. Charles Powell has agreed that in addition to the Prime Minister we should plan on the Foreign, Defence and Home Secretaries, and a DTI Minister. In addition he has suggested that the Minister for Agriculture and the Secretary of State for Transport should be asked whether they wished to participate.

We believe that there are a number of subjects which could usefully be discussed between Agriculture and Transport Ministers and that the French would in principle welcome their presence. I should therefore be grateful if you and Roy Griffins (DTp) to whom I am sending a copy of this letter would let me know if the Minister for Agriculture and the Secretary of State for Transport would wish to participate so that we can put the idea to the French. One day only would be involved; we would expect to have Ministers back in London by about 1700 on 27 February.

I am also copying this letter to Charles Powell (No 10), Brian Hawtin (MOD), Philip Mawer (Home Office), Neil Thornton (DTI) and Alex Allan (HM Treasury).

Yours sincerely,

Richard Gozney

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