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PRIME MINISTER

RECENT VISIT TO FINLAND

You may like to see the attached book of Finnish press coverage of your visit to Finland. It shows what an enormous impact a one-day visit can make locally, and how good it is for Britain.

CHARLES POWELL

2 OCTOBER 1990



BRITISH EMBASSY,
HELSINKI.

C Powell Esq.,
No. 10 Downing Street

CR
Ye Sods!
Mr. Hoyle
Good stuff!
CR

19 September 1990

Dear Charles,

It was good of you to send a personal note of thanks in addition to that from the Prime Minister. Despite the extra work involved we very much enjoyed having you all here. It was a pity that you personally had so little time to see anything of Finland and to catch up on old friends.

I imagine that with the pressures you are working under at present, the visit already seems a long time ago. But it is still very fresh in the minds of people in Helsinki with Harry Holkeri, Ilkka Suominen and Jan Klenberg still constantly referring to it during discussions. The press coverage was, as you know, quite remarkable and summaries of it have been sent to those concerned. I thought however that you might like to glance at the attached translation of an article in APU, a weekly magazine, which though containing odd snide remarks is very sympathetic and in that sense typical of most of the reporting of the visit. The Prime Minister won many new friends while she was here.

Best wishes,

Yours ever,

Neil

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APU
7 September 1990

M A G G I E I N T O W N

by Raila Kinnunen

The world's most powerful lady, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Great Britain, put a smile on the faces of top Finnish officials and received a royal welcome from people at large. She seemed to enjoy it thoroughly.

When Margaret Thatcher sets foot on Finnish soil, she does it with grace, elegance and military precision. The object of the Prime Minister's 48th official visit is about to fall to her charm.

From the first moment, the visit proceeds with the efficiency of grandma's old Singer sewing machine - reliably, neatly and without entanglements.

First to shake hands with Mrs Thatcher, Prime Minister Harri Holkeri, shaving off his beard only moments earlier, is smiling in front of the Iron Lady boyishly just like a youth told off by a sage governess. Shining through the welcoming formalities is an old friendship forged by a shared conservative philosophy and tested at three get-togethers during the past twelve months.

One might also speak of flirt since that is Mrs Thatcher's well-tested way of promoting her causes in a male-dominated world.

She seemed to enjoy Ronald Reagan's company and took full advantage of the pathetic extravaganza surrounding her American visits. In retrospect, she reportedly remarked:

-Poor Ronald may not be all that smart.

The British proudly ascribed an obvious feeling of mutual admiration between Mikhail Gorbachev and Mrs Thatcher to the latter's charm. Said the Prime Minister:

-We can do business with this man.

At her press Helsinki conference, Mrs Thatcher describes Harri Holkeri in these terms:

-I greatly enjoy meeting with him. He goes straight to the point, and that's OK with me!

Beginning the second day of her official visit, in the course of which she works round the clock, Mrs Thatcher meets with business and industry leaders at STK headquarters.

Over a cup of coffee, views are exchanged on European integration, Finland's road towards the EEC, nonexistent trade problems between our two countries - and Finland's awfully high prices that Mrs Thatcher thinks are even higher than in London or New York.

Hosting the tour of STK premises, Casimir Ehrnrooth characterizes Mrs Thatcher as charming, friendly and highly intelligent.

Before 10.00, the meeting with ten business and industry leaders is over, and the boys of Eteläranta 10 are all wax in the hands of the lady from 10 Dawning (sic) Street.

Just around the corner, in the State Banqueting Hall, Mr Holkeri and Mrs Thatcher have a roughly one-hour talk on East-West relations, the Gulf crisis and European integration.

Meanwhile, police cordon off the Market Square in anticipation of a walkabout by the two Prime Ministers.

Mrs Thatcher's personal aide, Mrs Crawford, offers the lady a pair of low-heeled shoes better suited for the cobble-stone Square but the Prime Minister refuses the offer. The Banqueting Hall door opens, the people applaude and a Salvation Army band plays some sentimental British tunes on the "Kappeli" bandstand.

Mrs Thatcher is given a royal Finnish welcome that she enjoys thoroughly. The applause continues and there are shouts of "hello" while Mrs Thatcher shakes hands with some of the most enthusiastic well-wishers.

Harri Holkeri escorts his distinguished guest to a fish stall at the Market Square and instructs:

-This is Baltic herring...very cheap.

But Mrs Thatcher rushes to the next stall full of crayfish that she says she has tasted sometimes and found delicious.

Moments later, Mr Holkeri guides his guest through the crowd, outside a marked route, for a cup of coffee outdoors. This time around, there is no need for him to say: "Now I'm drinking coffee". Everyone can see that for himself.

Margaret Thatcher uses the first person singular "I" extremely seldom; it is always "we".

And the "we" may mean many things: we Conservatives, this Government, Britain, George Bush and I, NATO, the EEC, Denis Thatcher and I - more seldom we women.

And sometimes "we" means simply "I". A slip of the tongue that happened to her a couple of years ago when she proudly told the

press:

-We are a grandmother now!

A mistake that she has been reminded of ever since because in Britain, the royal "we" is used by the Queen only. Not even though running the government of Britain's first woman Prime Minister is costing the British more than meeting the expenses of the Royal family.

In the Market Square coffee tent, the costly lady changes shoes. The world's most influential woman, daughter of a Grantham vegetable dealer, gazes appreciatingly at the mountains of vegetables and berries, stops to pick a lingonberry with her slender fingers and exclaims "delicious!" although the sour taste of the northern berry causes her to swallow hard.

In the bright August sunlight, one can easily see the smoothness and freshness of Mrs Thatcher's skin, the Prime Minister's agelessness. In October, she will be 65. But her eyes are even more impressive. She has that alert, perceptive look - the whites of her eyes all bright and pristine like those of a young girl.

Before dashing off to the next engagement, Mrs Thatcher pauses briefly outside her black car and waves to the crowd. It is a royal sight.

Margaret Thatcher and President Mauno Koivisto met each other previously during the President's working visit to Britain, a visit that most Finns probably recall as the one when Mr Koivisto was in the wrong place at the wrong time.

The wrong place was a pier in the port of Southampton and the occasion was the inauguration of "the Royal Princess", a Finnish-built cruise liner; members of the public attending the ceremony were only interested in seeing Princess Diana.

In his "I and Thatcher" book, Lasse Lehtinen recalls asking a British journalist standing next to him: "Who is that tall man standing behind Diana?" Surprised at such a stupid question, the journalist replied: "A security man, of course!".

Today, Mr Koivisto and, having quickly changed, Mrs Thatcher find themselves in the right place at the right time. The two leaders have lunch at the Presidential Palace, an occasion that Mrs Thatcher later describes as highly enjoyable.

One hour later, Prime Minister Thatcher is admiring the Gulf of Finland archipelago from a helicopter on her way from Helsinki to Porvoo and the Neste oil refinery in Sköldvik.

Sea pollution certainly cannot be observed at such an altitude but the topic is likely to be discussed with Environment Minister Kaj Bärlund accompanying the Prime Minister to Porvoo.

As long as Mrs Thatcher remains airborne, we have time to ponder why she, in the focus of world attention following the Gulf

crisis, chose not to call off her trip to Finland or her participation in the EDU party leaders' conference in Helsinki while other important or less important leaders stayed away: Helmut Kohl and Dan Quayle, plus the Greek and Polish Prime Ministers.

Mrs Thatcher herself says Finland and the spirit of Helsinki are so important that she absolutely wanted to come - and even tried to persuade Mr Kohl to reverse his decision not to attend.

There may be another reason as well: Mrs Thatcher's energy, efficiency and active performance are always heightened by a crisis. It may be wrong to say that she enjoys crises but crisis situations do bring out positive characteristics in her - those that seem negative features when the going is easy.

In the early 1980s, the Prime Minister's popularity and authority were plummeting - only to soar to new heights following the Falklands war. In times of crisis, attention turns away from Mrs Thatcher's weaknesses to focus on her undeniable strong points. Toughness is not always desirable in everyday life but in time of war, it is very much desired. Then the Prime Minister, noted for her style of running her country like the top executive of a big business corporation - coaching subordinates to improved performance - stands out as the whole nation's leader.

At the time of the Falklands war, Mrs Thatcher for the first time became aware of her own power and of the enjoyment to be derived from an exercise of that power.

During her eleven years in office, Mrs Thatcher has survived bomb attacks, wars, a yearlong strike by miners and scandals caused by male members of her Cabinet. But she has had a more difficult time plodding through the quagmire of privatization, erosion of social security, decay of hospitals, high interest rates, rising unemployment and internal EEC disputes.

From Mrs Thatcher's point of view, the Gulf crisis came a bit too soon. Better timing would have placed the crisis in closer proximity to the next General Election due to be held in more than a year's time. That will be her fourth General Election at the helm.

Britain's first woman Prime Minister, the country's longest-serving Head of Government in more than 150 years, is seen not as an intellectual but instinctive, innately prudent political animal who does not care about sophisticated political ideologies but who puts her faith in people's natural conservatism, their instinct of self-preservation and their fear of change and everything that is new.

The helicopter is ready to land at the Neste refinery in Sköldvik. Jaakko Ihamuotila and Kai Hietarinta stand in attention. Inside the chopper, the Prime Minister looks like putting on her shoes, snapping her ear rings in place and giving a final touch to her hairdo.

She climbs down the steps from the helicopter with incredible dexterity, wearing a tight dress and high-heeled shoes, elegantly moving her legs.

-The feminist movement has never helped me in anything, Mrs Thatcher reportedly remarked at one time. But after ten years of hard work, Mrs Thatcher helped herself to Parliament in 1959 - regardless of her sex.

Since then, she has used her sex to good advantage to challenge and persuade her opponents.

At EEC meetings, she lines up with Helmut Kohl and Francois Mitterrand for a group photograph - stealing the show and capturing all the attention.

Prime Minister Thatcher is known to take a special interest in armed forces. In Finland, Mrs Thatcher briefly familiarizes herself with our modest defence forces during a visit to Santahamina. She leaves Santahamina aboard the Navy gunboat "Asker" and heads for South Harbour with no sign of Defence Minister Elisabeth Rehn being around.

On deck, Mrs Thatcher inspects the crew - four sailors - who salute the Prime Minister. No match for the ceremony provided by Mrs Thatcher for Mr Holkeri in London a year ago. Like a Head of State, Mr Holkeri inspected an impressive White Hall honour guard.

When the two Prime Ministers disembark at South Harbour, police are shocked to see naked men cooling off on the 11th floor sauna terrace of the Palace Hotel. But despite her superwoman qualities, Mrs Thatcher has hardly got such keen X-ray eyes as to extend her inspection that far.

After ten hours, dozens of meetings, presentations, talks, exchanges of views about politics and trips by car, chopper and boat, Margaret Thatcher faces the press at the Palace Hotel fresh as morning dew, without the slightest trace of strain.

In less half the time Mrs Thatcher has been in office, most British male Prime Ministers became either ill, fatigued, cynical or disillusioned - or defeated.

Most of the questions fielded by the Prime Minister at her press conference deal with the Gulf crisis, the prospects for a peaceful solution, the timetable, the enforcement of strict sanctions, the role of neutral countries and the fate of hostages.

Mrs Thatcher answers each question without stumbling over her words, without losing her concentration and always looking the person straight in the eyes. Without doubt, she emerges the winner with full points.

With similar effectiveness, the Iron Lady earlier on gave birth to twins - one pregnancy producing two babies.

EDU host Ilkka Suominen describes his most important guest as one who is firmly in command, determined, knowledgeable, a powerful but not callous fighter.

Former U.S. Secretary of State Charles Shultz puts it this way:

-If I were married to Margaret Thatcher, I'd make sure the dinner is ready when she comes home.

Mrs Thatcher's father, again, comments:

-Margaret is 99.5 per cent perfect. Warmth is something that should fill the remaining 0.5 per cent!

Well, in any event, dinner given by Harri Holkeri at the Kalastajatorppa is ready when Margaret Thatcher arrives at 20.00 o'clock sharp.

CF Helsinki file

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CASIMIR EHRNROOTH

PPS

Helsinki, 17 September, 1990

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you very much for your kind letter. I have conveyed your greetings to all my colleagues who attended the meeting with you in Helsinki. The photograph I have, however, kept for myself.

Yours sincerely
Casimir Ehrnrooth



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From the Private Secretary

10 September 1990

Thank you for your letter of 6 September replying to mine about the selection of paintings in the Ambassador's Residence in Helsinki. I have shown it to the Prime Minister who has commented that all that is needed is some better paintings of a size appropriate to the room.

(C. D. POWELL)

Dr. Wendy Baron

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Dr. Wendy Baron
Curator of the Government Art Collection



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6 September 1990

Dear Charles Powell,


Thank you for your letter of 2 September ^{for} telling me of the Prime Minister's interest in the selection of pictures in the Ambassador's Residence in Helsinki.

I am grateful for the reminder of my promise to visit Finland during this financial year and I shall certainly try to do so soon. I too hope that, given the rarity of British paintings of Finnish interest, I can identify some more distinguished paintings for the house which will also be more appropriate to the Finnish setting. How we would then proceed from identification to acquisition is another matter.

Yours sincerely
Wendy Baron

Wendy Baron

*They don't need to be
of Finnish interest - just better
pictures and of a size
appropriate to the room
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PM TOURS
Helsinki
April 1990

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From the Private Secretary

2 September 1990

BRITISH EMBASSY, HELSINKI

Since the Prime Minister may raise it with the Foreign Secretary, I should report that she did not at all like the design of the new Chancery in Helsinki. It is apparently very controversial locally. The Prime Minister thought it not at all equal to the magnificent site: and while the interior provides excellent office facilities, the outside is in her judgement a horror.

That's for the record since there is nothing to be done about it now. On more mundane matters, the Prime Minister commented on the inadequate number of table and standard lamps in the Ambassador's Residence, leaving the main rooms in a perpetual twilight. I should be grateful if the Overseas Estate Department could be asked to take early action to remedy this.

I have written separately to Wendy Baron about the state of the pictures in the Residence.

(C. D. POWELL)

Richard Gozney, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

2 September 1990

The Prime Minister recently visited Helsinki and stayed at the Ambassador's Residence. It was the first time she had been. She thought it a fine house, but was disappointed in the quality and condition of the pictures. So far as she could tell, they were of no great merit, had no connection with Finland, and were anyway very difficult to make out because of the heavy varnish.

The Prime Minister understands that you intend to visit Finland. She hopes that you will find time to do so reasonably soon, and that you will be able to identify some pictures for the Residence which would add to its distinction, as well as be more appropriate to the Finnish setting.

(C. D. POWELL)

Dr. Wendy Baron
Office of Arts and Libraries.

Curator
Government Art Collection

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From the Private Secretary

31 August 1990

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you for your beautiful bouquet and your message of welcome to Finland. It was a most thoughtful gesture and very much appreciated by Mrs. Thatcher.

The Prime Minister had a most enjoyable visit and will long cherish the warmth and kindness of those she met during her brief stay.

Miss. M. R. Murphy

Mrs. Hellervo Vesamaa

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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S

PERSONAL MESSAGE

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Jean Puri Minister

I wanted to write straight away to thank you most warmly for inviting me to visit Finland, and for arranging such a splendid programme. I was so pleased to be able to come at last, and was greatly impressed by everything that has been achieved - and particularly pleased that so much of that has been under a Conservative-led government! You were very good to give up so much of your time to accompany me during the visit, which made it all the more enjoyable.

I was glad that we were able to have such good talks, and to find that on many of the main issues our thinking is very close - and we are especially grateful for Finland's role in the Security Council over the Gulf crisis. I was interested to note the way in which views on the European Community are beginning to change, and I hope that our two governments can keep in touch on this. There are important similarities in our approach, particularly our attachment to national sovereignty and independence of action, which make it natural to consult closely.

Congratulations, too, on the success of the EDU Conference which you hosted so exceptionally well. And thank you for the splendid book, which will remind me of a very happy and successful visit.

With warm good wishes to you and your wife,

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Mr. Harri Hermanni Holkeri



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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Mr. President

I am most grateful to you for your kindness in entertaining me to lunch during my brief official visit to Finland. It was also particularly valuable to be able to talk in the present difficult international situation, and to be able to say how very much we appreciate the stalwart role which Finland has played in the United Nations Security Council and as Chairman of the Sanctions Committee. I was very interested in your assessment of the prospects in the Baltic States, where Finland's knowledge and contacts are invaluable.

May I say, too, how very impressed I was with all that has been achieved in Finland. Even on a brief visit, one can appreciate the great prosperity which Finland now enjoys. One senses also the very strong attachment to international independence, a feeling which we in Britain very much share. I hope the next decade will see the two countries come still closer.

With every good wish to you and your wife,

*Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher*

Dr. Mauno Henrik Koivisto



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CFO

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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Mr. Ihamuotila,

May I thank you most warmly for your very kind hospitality during my visit to the Neste Refinery. You gave us an excellent presentation and the whole visit was most instructive. I think that what the company has achieved is remarkable, and I know how much of that is due to your vision and determination.

I was also very glad to meet you and your wife at dinner the previous evening: and I enjoyed the discussion with you and other leading members of Finland's business community the next day.

Please convey my gratitude to all the members of your company, together with my best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely
James Shackleton

Mr. Jaakko Ihamuotila



File MM
CFCW

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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Ambassador Mäkeläinen,

I am most grateful to you for the excellent arrangements made for my official visit to Finland. The programme went like clockwork and made it possible for me to see a great deal in a short time. I have long wanted to visit Finland and am so pleased that at last it has been possible. I take away the happiest memories, and a strong wish to return.

Would you please convey my warm gratitude also to all those concerned with the programme and with security. They did a splendid job.

With every good wish.

Yours sincerely
James Douglas

Ambassador Eva-Christina Mäkeläinen



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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Ambassador Rutanen,

You were most kind to accompany me during my official visit to Finland and it was a great help to have someone who could answer all my questions so readily and fully. I very much enjoyed my brief stay and was most impressed by all that we saw. It was an excellent meeting with Prime Minister Holkeri: we think very similarly on the great international issues.

With many thanks and best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Ambassador Pasi Rutanen



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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Mr. Ehrnrooth,

You were most kind to arrange for me to meet so many leading members of Finland's business community during my visit to Helsinki, and I thoroughly enjoyed our discussion. What has been achieved in Finland is remarkable and a tribute to the enterprise and initiative of Finnish industry. I am glad that all the signs point towards more trade and closer co-operation between Finland, the other members of EFTA and the European Community. That is what Britain wants to see, and we shall do everything we can to make a success of the negotiations for a European Economic Area. We shall also do everything possible to increase bilateral trade: and I shall look into the point which you made about the low level of new British investment in Finland.

Will you please convey my gratitude to all your colleagues and those who attended the meeting, together with my warm good wishes.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Mr. Casimir Ehrnrooth



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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Minister,

I was very pleased to meet you again during my brief visit to Helsinki: and it was very good of you to give up your time to come with me to the Neste Refinery and give me such an interesting briefing on environmental problems in the Baltic. There is no doubt of the magnitude and seriousness of these. But the energy with which you and your colleagues in the Finnish Government are tackling them is impressive and I am sure you will succeed. With such a very beautiful land and archipelago to protect, you have every incentive.

Thank you again for your kindness. With every good wish.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Mr. Kaj Barlund



File [signature]
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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Ambassadors

Thank you very much for your kind hospitality during my visit to Helsinki. You and your wife made us all most welcome and comfortable. We also managed to get through a great deal in the short time available for the official programme. What has been achieved in Finland is remarkable, although I do not envy them some of the problems, particularly the strain on the family, which they face.

I am most grateful to the Embassy for all the work which went into the preparations for my visit, and hope that you all feel that it has helped in your own every day work. May I thank you both particularly for arranging the dinner on the first evening, which was a very happy occasion. You had done it all so beautifully, and the table looked lovely. I will pursue the Foreign Office on the subject of pictures and lamps!

Thank you again for your kindness. With every good wish,

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Mr. Neil Smith, C.M.G.



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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 August 1990

Dear Admiral Visa,

Thank you very much for arranging my brief voyage on the Finnish Navy's missile boat "Oulu". I greatly enjoyed the short journey through the archipelago: and there is no better way to enter Helsinki than by sea. The tot of rum was a very nice touch. I was glad to see that the best traditions of our own Royal Navy are so widely observed!

Would you please convey my gratitude to the Commanding Officer and all the officers and men of the "Oulu", together with my warm good wishes.

Yours sincerely

Raymond Sturt

Rear Admiral Sakara Visa



PS to the P.M.

LETTER OF THANKS

1. A bouquet of flowers was delivered to the Embassy for the P.M. I was asked to submit a letter of thanks for the P.M.'s signature and enclose a draft.
2. We have established that Mrs Vesamaa is 74 years of age and a great admirer of both Britain and the Prime Minister.

N J Kelly
30 August 1990

Mrs Hellervo Vesamaa

Iskola

21160 Merimasku

Finland

(Dear Mrs Vesamaa)

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I was delighted to receive your beautiful bouquet and your message of welcome to Finland. Your flowers found a place of honour in my room. It was a most thoughtful gesture and very much appreciated. *be* *OT*

pm
I have had a most enjoyable visit and will long cherish the warmth and kindness of those I have met during my stay. *my* *2*

Hillervo Vesamaa (Mrs)
Iskola
21160 Merimasku
Finland

[Flower Arrangement
to Residence]

74 yr old lady; great
admirer of PM and
CB

My respectful thanks
for your coming

Yours sincerely

Hillervo Vesamaa

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Charles
Miss Davis

THANK YOU LETTERS

1. I suggest thank you letters be sent as follows:

(a) By the Prime Minister to:

① - His Excellency Mr Mauno Koivisto
President of Finland

② - His Excellency Mr Harri Holkeri + book - "Helsinki architecture"
Prime Minister of Finland

③ ✓ HM Ambassador and Mrs Smith

(these will be delivered by hand)

(b) By PS/Prime Minister to:

④ ✓ - Mr Kaj Bärnlund
Minister for the Environment
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⑤ ✓ - Ambassador Eva-Christina Mäkeläinen
Chief of Protocol
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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⑥ ✓ - Ambassador Pasi Rutanen
Prime Minister's Office
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⑦ - Mr Risto Veltheim
Director
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
(address as Miss Mäkeläinen)

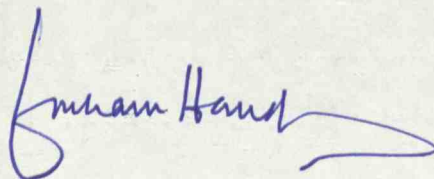
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FINLAND: COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES

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

GENERAL

2. The Prime Minister will stay at the Ambassador's residence in Helsinki.

3. The temporary No 10 Private Office will also be established in the Residency. A second general office will also be established in the Finlandia Hall for the duration of the EDU conference.

SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

4. Secure facsimile and Brahm's secure speech will be installed in the Private Office in the Residence. Additionally Brahm's secure speech will also be available for use, if required, in the Finlandia Hall.

TELEPHONE FACILITIES

5. The following facilities have been ordered:

THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

- i. Normal residence telephones.
- ii. 4 additional telephones with International Direct Dial (IDD) Access in the No 10 Private Office.
- iii. A direct speech line (Private Wire - PW) between the Private Office and the switchboard in No 10 Downing Street.
- iv. 1 PW from the Private Office to the Finlandia Hall.
- v. 1 DEL with IDD facilities in "bedroom two".

FINLANDIA HALL

- i. 1 PW from the UK delegation office to the No 10 Private Office in the residence.
- ii. 1 DEL with IDD facilities in the office allocated to the UK delegation.

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

- i. 1 DEL with IDD facilities in the suite allocated to the UK Press Officer.

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LOCAL RADIO

6. Hand held radios will be provided for the use of protection officers and administrative staff.

CELLULAR TELEPHONES

7. Arrangements have been made to hire (locally) 4 Cellular phones for general use by the PM's party.

AIRBORNE COMMUNICATIONS

8. There will be no secure communications during the flight.

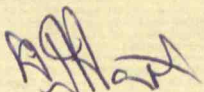
TELEPHONE NUMBERS

9. The numbers of the additional telephones are as follows:

RESIDENCE - No 10 PRIVATE OFFICE; 010-35-80-638 096
-638 127
-174 743
-170 287
- BEDROOM TWO, MR POWELL'S ROOM -638 179

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ANNEX A TO
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DATED 24 AUG 90

COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

-PLACE	DATE/TIME		FACILITIES
	FROM	TO	
-AIRBORNE (UK-HELSINKI)	28 AUG 90 11.55 (12.55)	28 AUG 90 15.00 (18.00)	NO SECURE COMMUNICATIONS DURING FLIGHT
HELSINKI	28 AUG 90 15.00 (18.00)	30 AUG 90 11.00 (14.00)	SECURE FACSIMILE SECURE SPEECH IDD
AIRBORNE (HELSINKI-UK)	30 AUG 90 11.00 (14.00)	30 AUG 90 14.20 (15.20)	NO SECURE COMMUNICATIONS DURING FLIGHT

NOTES:

1. All times are approximate.
2. GMT times are unbracketed.
3. Local times are bracketed.
4. UK: Local time is GMT + 1.
5. Helsinki: Local time is GMT + 3.

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PRIME MINISTER

cc. Mr. Whittingdale

EDU

Just to say that I have spoken to Chancellor Kohl's office to convey your view that he ought if at all possible to attend the EDU meeting in Helsinki, even if only for a few hours. They were sceptical but promised to come back to me.

C. D. POWELL

23 August 1990

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DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER
TO FINLAND: 28-30 AUGUST 1990

1 TRAVEL DETAILS

The Prime Minister, and those listed at Appendix I will depart London Airport (Royal Suite) in an RAF Bae 146, Task No Ascot 1231, at 1255 hours local on Tuesday 28 August.

2 BOXES AND BRIEFCASES

Two FCO security vans have been reserved for the journey to the Royal Suite. The vans will depart from the FCO at 1045 hours on 28 August with the safehand boxes boxes from Room 1 King Charles Street, Pass Control Room, and from No 10 Downing Street at 1100 hours. A Duty Clerk will travel in one van and a Security Officer in the other.

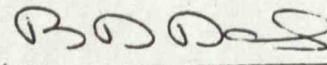
3 LUGGAGE

Heavy luggage should be left unlocked for the customary RAF inspection.

4 TRANSPORT TO LONDON AIRPORT (SOUTHSIDE)

A schedule of arrangements is shown at Appendix II.

5 Any enquiries about these arrangements should be addressed to the undersigned until pm on Thursday 23 August. After that time please contact Miss S Waghorn (Tel 210 6373) until Friday 24 August. Thereafter the contact is Miss M Howley (Tel 210 6375) who will also be the Conference Section Duty Officer week ending 24-27 August. She can be contacted on 0263 721072 or the radio pager via the FCO Resident Clerk.



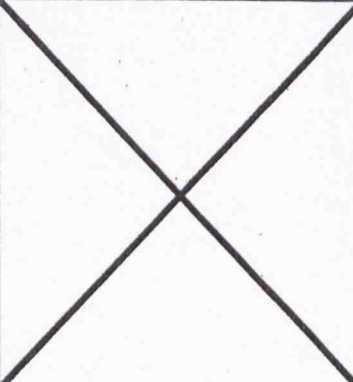
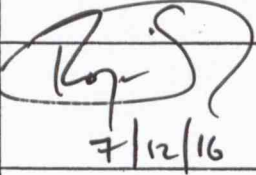
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ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT OF
THE PRIME MINISTER TO FINLAND: 28-30 AUGUST 1990

1. DETAILS OF VISIT

The Prime Minister, accompanied by those at Appendix I, will visit Finland from Tuesday 28 August to Thursday 30 August.

2. PROGRAMMES

An outline programme for the Prime Minister is shown at Appendix II.

3. TRAVEL (see Appendix III)

All times local

UK = GMT +1
Helsinki = GMT +3

Outward: Tuesday 28 August

- a) The Prime Minister and party will travel in an RAF Bae 146.
- b) The detailed itinerary together with other relevant travel details is shown at Appendix III.
- c) Departure on Tuesday 28 August will be from London Heathrow (Royal Suite) at 1255 hours. ETA Helsinki 1800 hours.
- d) Departure arrangements for those travelling on the Bae 146 are being issued separately.

Return: Thursday 30 August

The Bae 146 will be on standby to depart Helsinki at 1400. If aircraft departs at this time ETA LHR (Royal Suite) will be 1520 hours.

4. TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

All those travelling must be in possession of a valid passport. Visas are not required for Finland.

5. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

- a) No inoculations are needed for Finland.
- b) Blood. Recommendations about blood tests were given in the Advance Administrative Arrangements.

6. BAGGAGE LUGGAGE

- a) Those travelling on the Bae 146 may take with them up to 25 kgs of personal baggage.
- b) Baggage labels for those travelling on the Bae 146 are enclosed.

Colour codes as follows:

Residence	-	BLUE
Hotel Intercontinental	-	RED
Official items	-	WHITE

All items to be cabin-loaded must, in addition, bear a YELLOW label.

Unused labels should be kept under safe care.

7. INSURANCE

A note on baggage and insurance regulations for those travelling on the Bae 146 is attached at Appendix IV.

8. LIVING ACCOMMODATION

Details are shown at Appendix I.

9. WORKING ACCOMMODATION

A No 10 Private Office will be set up in the Ambassador's Residence and, when the Prime Minister attends the EDU Conference on Thursday 30 August, in the Finlandia Hall.

A Suite in the Hotel Intercontinental has been reserved for Mr Aylett for official press briefings.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- a) Telegrams
 - i) Continuous cover will be provided in Helsinki during the Prime Minister's visit. Precise timings and further details will be notified by ISD(O).

ii) Secure fax will be installed in the Residence and Embassy.

iii) Telegrams should be addressed "Following for Prime Minister's party" in which case they will be distributed to all senior members of the party. Telegrams should only be addressed "Following for Private Secretary" if it is intended that they should be given further distribution only on his authority. Telegrams addressed to the Private Secretary should be distributed initially to the Private Secretary and Duty Clerk. Telegrams addressed to individuals within the party should only be given to that person and not be given further distribution within the party without the prior consent to whom it is addressed.

iv) Any messages with Press Agency material received from the Cabinet Office will be delivered according to their precedence marking.

b) Telephones

The switchboard at the Embassy will be manned on a 24 hour basis during the Prime Minister's visit.

IDD lines will be installed in both No 10 offices, Mr Powell's bedroom in the Residence and Mr Aylett's Suite in the Hotel Intercontinental.

A list of useful telephone numbers is at Appendix V.

11. SECURITY

a) London office security passes should not be taken abroad.

b) Miss Parkin will be appointed Special Courier for the round trip. All boxes and briefcases containing classified material should be entered on the Courier's waybill. Those concerned should contact Mr J Murray, ISD(S) (270 2781) who will arrange this.

c) A suite of safehand boxes is being taken out on the Bae 146 from London.

d) The Royal Military Police will carry out regular safehand runs during the day between COMCEN and the No 10 Private Office. An RMP will guard the No 10 office at night.

e) The appropriate Security Department instructions should be followed in connection with typewriters and typewriter ribbons.

12. TRANSPORT

- a) The Finish Government will provide transport for the party. Other cars including those for safehand runs, will be provided by the Embassy or hired.
- b) Car allocation for airport arrival in Helsinki will be provided in advance so that the party on the aircraft are aware of the arrangements before landing. Full details of transport arrangements will be supplied in the local administrative arrangements.

13. OFFICE MACHINERY AND STATIONERY

- a) The Secretarial Assistants will take their typewriters /word processor for use in the No 10 Private Office.
- b) The No 10 Private Office in the Residence and Finlandia Hall will be equipped with Rank Xerox Memory Writers (model 6020), photocopier and common-user stationery. Any special headed stationery will be brought out by the secretarial assistants.

14. UK NEWSPAPERS AND COI SUMMARIES

- a) Arrangements are being made for British newspapers for 29 and 30 August to be sent to Helsinki.
- b) The COI daily press summary will be telexed to the party each day of the visit.

15. GIFTS

The party will bring gifts, based on advice concerted with the Post, Geographical Department and No 10 Downing Street.

16. ENTERTAINMENT, CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

- a) Entertainment is covered in the programme at Appendix II.
- b) The Embassy in Helsinki will provide duty free liquor in the Press Suite.
- c) Duty free liquor for private purchase has been ordered from the Embassy.
- d) Climate/Clothing

The average mid-day temperature at the end of August is 15°C. Frost is already possible at night but weather is

unpredictable. Raincoats, umbrellas and sweaters are advised: indoors light clothing is sufficient.

The Ambassador's dinner on 28 August is Black tie, long/short dress: the EDU dinner on 29 August is lounge suit/short dress.

17. VOLTAGE

The voltage in Finland is 220 volts (2 pin plugs).

18. FINANCE

a) The Office of the Minister for the Civil Service (OMCS) will meet the cost of the No 10 party (except Mr Whittingdale), Conference Officer, Communications Officers, COI Official and Royal Military Police.

b) Common Service costs ie hire of transport, office furniture, installation of telephones etc will be charged to OMCS.

19. SUBSISTENCE

Subsistence rates for Helsinki are:

Class A FIM 943.00
B FIM 657.00

FIM 6.8 = £1

a) Members of the party accommodated in the Residence will receive one-third of the Class A subsistence rate.

b) Members of the party staying in the Hotel Intercontinental (except Mr Ingham, Mr Whittingdale, Mr Aylett and the Detectives) will receive conference terms rates of subsistence, ie the cost of their room, service charge taxes and standard breakfast will be paid by the Embassy and each person will receive half of the Class A rate per night to cover all other expenses.

c) Mr Ingham and Mr Aylett will have the cost of their suite/room, taxes, service charge, all meals and local telephone calls paid by the Finnish Government and will receive one-tenth of the Class A subsistence rate.

d) Mr Whittingdale will meet all his own costs.

e) The detectives will subsist themselves but the cost of their hotel room, service charge and taxes should be paid by the Embassy and charged to the Metropolitan Police.

f) Mr Dixon and Mr Woolley accommodated in the Hotel Anna will receive the Class B rate of subsistence to cover all expenses.

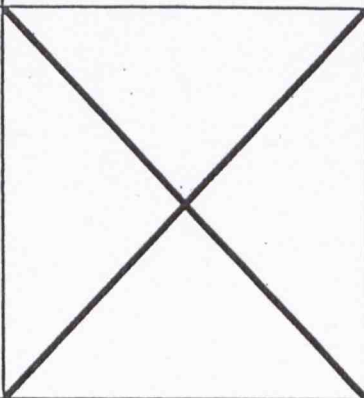
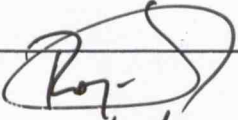
20. ADMINISTRATION

The party will be administered by Miss B Davis in conjunction with the Embassy in Helsinki. Miss Davis will travel to Helsinki pm on 23 August. After that enquiries at the London end should be addressed to Miss S Waghorn (Tel No: 210 6373). until Friday 24 August. Thereafter please contact Miss Maureen Howley (Tel: 210 6375) who will also be the Conference Section Duty Officer week ending 24-27 August: she can be contacted on 0263 721072 or the radio pager via the FCO Resident Clerk.

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From the Private Secretary

20 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

I have now seen Helsinki telegram number 203 about the Prime Minister's visit to the Neste oil refinery. I think the Prime Minister would be content with this. It would not matter if she arrived a little late for the EDU Reception.

I have now also seen Helsinki telegram number 212 about the timing of the EDU press conference. I think the Prime Minister will wish to leave immediately following the press conference and have lunch on the aircraft, rather than stay for the lunch at Finlandia Hall.

CHARLES POWELL

Simon Gass, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

20 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

You wrote to Dominic Morris on 15 August with the seating plan for the BAe 146 for the Prime Minister's visit to Finland. I am happy with what is proposed and have marked the menus, which I enclose.

CHARLES POWELL

S.L. Gass, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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YOUR TELNO 232: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO HELSINKI: BILATERAL WITH
CHANCELLOR KOHL

1. BECAUSE OF THE LATEST POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GDR
(COALITION COLLAPSE) CHANCELLOR KOHL HAS DECIDED NOT (NOT) TO GO TO
HELSINKI. HE VERY MUCH REGRETS THAT HE WILL THEREFORE BE UNABLE TO
MEET THE PRIME MINISTER THERE.

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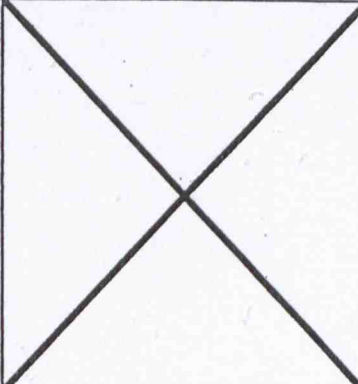
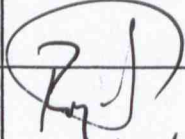
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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND: NESTE PROGRAMME AT SKOLDVIK,
29 AUGUST.

1. WE HAVE HAD TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME AT THE NESTE OIL REFINERY BECAUSE IT HAS BECOME CLEAR THAT THE TRIP BACK TO HELSINKI BY FAST PATROL CRAFT WOULD TAKE ONE AND A HALF HOURS AND NOT ONE HOUR AS PREVIOUSLY THOUGHT. IT IS STILL PLANNED THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD TAKE A SHORT SEA TRIP ON A FINNISH DEFENCE FORCE PATROL CRAFT AT SKOLDVIK, BUT THE RETURN JOURNEY HELSINKI-SKOLDVIK WILL NOW BE BY HELICOPTER.

2. THE REVISED PROGRAMME IS:

1410

DEPART HERNESAARI HELICOPTER PAD (HELSINKI). PRIME MINISTER TO TRAVEL IN A SUPER PUMA HELICOPTER (FULL DETAILS TO FOLLOW) WITH MR HOLKERI. SOME MEMBERS OF THE PARTY TO TRAVEL IN A SEPERATE, LARGER HELICOPTER.

1430

LARGER HELICOPTER ARRIVES AT SKOLDVIK REFINERY. PARTY TAKEN BY BUS TO TECHNOLOGY CENTRE AUDITORIUM.

1435

PRIME MINISTER'S HELICOPTER ARRIVES. (EN ROUTE, MR HOLKERI HOPES TO SHOW THAT THE SOVIET/ESTONIAN COAST IS VISIBLE, EMPHASISING THE ENVIRONMENTAL DANGER TO THE FINNISH COASTLINE AND THE BALTIC). MET BY JAAKKO IHAMUOTILA, CHAIRMAN OF NESTE. BY BUS TO TECHNOLOGY CENTRE AUDITORIUM.

1440

GENERAL PRESENTATION ON NESTE AND NESTE'S ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES (DOUBLE HULLED TANKERS, SULPHUR EMISSION REDUCTION PROGRAMME ETC)

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BY NESTE CHAIRMAN.

1455

VISIT TO TECHNOLOGY CENTRE LABORATORIES AND INTRODUCTION TO CURRENT ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING WORK ON CONDUCTIVE POLYMERS.

1510

DEPARTURE FOR NESTE GUEST HOUSE.

1515

BRIEF PRESENTATIONS BY KAJ BARLUND, MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT, ON THE ECOLOGICAL STATE OF THE BALTIC SEA, AND BY AARNO KARHILO, UNDER SECRETARY, MFA, ON THE BALTIC REPUBLICS, FOLLOWED BY DISCUSSION.

1550

DEPARTURE FOR NESTE HARBOUR.

1555

SHORT TOUR OF THE ARCHIPELAGO BY FINNISH DEFENCE FORCE PATROL BOAT. (DETAILS TO FOLLOW).

1615

RETURN TO HARBOUR., BY BUS TO HELICOPTER PAD.

1620

DEPARTURE BY HELICOPTER FOR HELSINKI.

1640

ARRIVE AT HERNESAARI HELICOPTER PAD.

1645

ARRIVE AT RESIDENCE.

3. THE VISIT TO NESTE HAS BEEN RESTRICTED TO THE TECHNOLOGY

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CENTRE AND THE GUEST HOUSE IN ORDER TO CUT DOWN ON TRANSPORT TIME AND ALLOW FOR A PROPER POLITICAL/ENVIRONMENTAL DISCUSSION. IDEALLY THE BOAT TRIP WOULD BE LONGER AND PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT HERE HAVE THEREFORE ASKED WHETHER WE COULD PUT THE PRESS CONFERENCE BACK BY 10 MINS TO 1710. THIS WOULD OF COURSE

ALLOW THE PRIME MINISTER ONLY 40 MINUTES TO PREPARE FOR THE EDU RECEPTION AND DINNER. FRATEFUL TO KNOW IF THIS NEW PROGRAMME IS ACCEPTABLE, AND ESPECIALLY IF THE PRESS CONFERENCE CAN BE MOVED TO 1710.

4. FCO PLEASE PASS TO PS/PRIME MINISTER DESKBY 1400Z.

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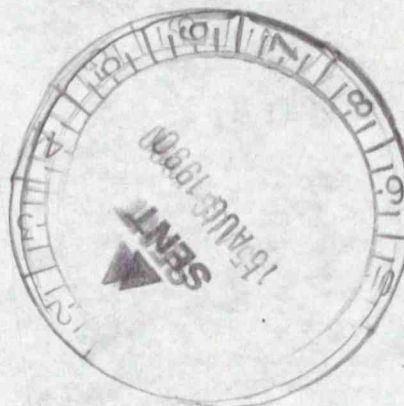
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From: Miss Davis
Protocol Department

Date: 14 August 1990

Miss Parkin
Duty Clerk
No 10 Downing Street

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND: TRANSPORT

1. When the Duty Clerk books the cars to take passengers to LHR (Royal Suite) on Tuesday 28 August and to collect them on Thursday 30 August the telephone number to call to give car details is as follows:

LHR Police - tel 081-897-7373

Ask for HUNTER 90

A booking reference needs to be given; it is:

28 August	S 90195
30 August	S 90196

2. This procedure has to be followed because RAF Northolt are not involved when a Queen's Flight aircraft is used.

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B D Davis (Miss)
Protocol Department
OAB SG93 210 6374

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London SW1A 2AH

9 August 1990

*He saved
me on
Monday,*

Mr. [Signature]

Dear Charles,

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EDU Conference, Helsinki, 30 - 31 August:
Vice-President Quayle

9/8

Thank you for your letter of 17 July. *hap*

The US Embassy have told us that Vice-President Quayle has had to cancel his visit to Helsinki.

Yours ever,

[Signature]

(R H T Gozney)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street

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From the Private Secretary

9 August 1990

Thank you for your letter of 7 August. I am glad that the Prime Minister's visit is stirring the blood. I would be very happy to see Mr. Keisalo in September. It might be slightly easier for someone in your Embassy to give me a call in the first week of September, and we can fix an appointment then.

CHARLES POWELL

His Excellency Mr. Ilkka Pastinen, K.C.M.G.

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From the Private Secretary

8 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

Thank you for your letter of 8 August about the Prime Minister's travel to Finland. I am grateful for the arrangements which have been made, and content with timings.

C. D. POWELL

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

MR



Foreign and Commonwealth Office
London SW1A 2AH

8 August 1990

Dear Charles,

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND: 28-30 AUGUST 1990:
TRAVEL**

A BAe 146 has been reserved for the Prime Minister's visit to Finland. Suggested timings are as follows:

London GMT +1
Helsinki GMT +3
(all times local)

Tuesday 28 August

ETD LHR (Royal Suite) 1255
ETA Helsinki 1800
Flying time 3 hours 5 minutes.

Thursday 30 August

If the Prime Minister wished to attend the EDU Buffet lunch and Press Conference at Finlandia Hall timings could be:

ETD Helsinki 1500
ETA LHR (Royal Suite) 1620
Flying time 3 hours 20 minutes.

I would be grateful to know your wishes.

Jans.
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)
Private Secretary

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DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR THE VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER,
THE RT HON MARGARET THATCHER FRS MP

<u>SERIAL</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
TUESDAY 28 AUGUST			
01	18.00	Arrive at Helsinki Vantaa Airport, by private flight.	Met by Prime Minister Holkeri, Head of Protocol, HM Ambassador. Photocall.
02	18.25 approx	Arrive at Ambassador's Residence.	Prime Minister, Mr Powell, Mrs Crawford?, detective to stay at Residence. Remainder Intercontinental Hotel.
03	18.30 approx	Meeting to discuss programme.	Prime Minister, Ambassador, H of C, Mr Powell, Mr Ingham.
04	18.45	Prepare for dinner. Hairdresser?	
05	19.30	Dinner at Ambassador's Residence.	22 total. Prime Minister Holkeri senior Finnish guest. Photocall.
WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST			
06		Prime Minister's hairdresser to call?	
07	07.50	Breakfast.	
08	08.20	Brief visit to new Chancery building. Sign Visitors' Book.	Photographer.
09	08.40	Depart Residence for Palace Hotel.	
10	08.45	Arrive Palace Hotel.	Met by Mr Casimir Ehrnrooth, Chairman and Mr Timo Relander, Managing Director, Confederation of Finnish Industries.

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<u>SERIAL</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
11	08.50	Meeting with 20 Confederation of Finnish Industry/Finnish-British Trade Association representatives.	Accompanied throughout by Ambassador, Mr Powell, Mr Ingham. Photocall
12	09.55	Depart Palace Hotel for Government Banqueting Centre.	
13	10.00	Arrive Government Banqueting Centre. Met by Eva-Christina Mäkeläinen, Head of Protocol. Talks with Prime Minister Holkeri.	Photocall in the Yellow Room. Talks in Prime Minister's study. Ambassador, Mr Powell.
14	11.15	Depart Government Banqueting Centre on foot. Visit Helsinki market.	
15	11.30	Return to Residence.	Freshen up, change shoes etc.
16	11.55	Depart Residence for Presidential Palace.	
17	12.00	Arrive Presidential Palace. Met by Head of Protocol and ADC. Call on President Koivisto.	Ambassador, Mr Powell. Photocall before talks.
18	12.30	Lunch given by President Koivisto.	30-50 people.
19	14.00	Depart Presidential Palace.	
20	14.10	Depart Ministry of Foreign Affairs (?) by helicopter for Sköldvik.	Accompanied by Prime Minister Holkeri.
21	14.30	Arrive Neste Oy oil refinery, Sköldvik.	Briefing en route on environmental threat from USSR. Photocalls.
22	15.30	Return to Helsinki by Naval fast patrol boat.	
23	16.45	Arrive Ambassador's Residence.	Tidy up.

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<u>SERIAL</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
24	17.00	Press conference.	New Chancery conference room. Possible interviews afterwards.
25	17.30 ?	Return to Residence.	Change and hairdressing etc.
26	18.50	Depart Residence for Intercontinental Hotel.	Accompanied by ?
27	19.00	EDU reception at Intercontinental Hotel, followed by EDU dinner at Kalastajatorppa Hotel.	
THURSDAY 30 AUGUST			
28	07.50	Breakfast.	
29	09.00	First EDU Session at Finlandia Hall.	Hall A. Possible bilaterals with Vice-President Quayle and Chancellor Kohl before or during EDU meeting.
30	13.00	Buffet lunch at Finlandia Hall.	
31	14.00	EDU press conference at Finlandia Hall.	Hall B.
32	14.30-18.00	Second EDU Session at Finlandia Hall.	Hall A.
33	18.30	Meeting for Heads of Delegation with President Koivisto.	Presidential Palace.
34	19.00	Reception hosted by Helsinki Lord Mayor Raimo Ilaskivi.	City Hall (near Presidential Palace).
35	20.30	Dinner given by EDU Chairman, Mr Mock.	Government Banqueting Hall.

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FINNISH AMBASSADOR

7 August, 1990

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Mr Charles Powell
10 Downing Street
London SW1

Dear Wanda,

I have just returned from my annual leave in Finland and found out that the approaching visit of Prime Minister Thatcher causes considerable excitement in the land.

In that connection I have been asked by a former colleague and friend Mr Paavo Keisalo, who is now the international affairs columnist in Suomen Kuvalehti, whether you could receive him for a chat some time in September. I understand that he can make himself available any time that suits you.

*Yours ever,
Ilkka*

Ilkka Pastinen

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From the Private Secretary

7 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

I have seen Helsinki Telegram No 190 about aspects of the EDU meeting on 30 August. I confirm that the Prime Minister will return to London following the afternoon press conference, and will not stay for the EDU meeting with President Koivisto.

CHARLES POWELL

Richard Gozney Esq
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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From the Private Secretary

7 August 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

I have seen Helsinki telno 187 about the Ambassador's dinner for the Prime Minister on 28 August (sic). Arrangements for the dinner and the guest list present no problems. For the additional guests I suggest the Erkko's and the Ihamuotila's.

CHARLES POWELL

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Mr Powell

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VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER: 28 AUGUST: DINNER

1. MY DINNER FOR THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BE AT 19.30 ON ²⁸~~29~~ AUGUST,
BLACK TIE. I CAN SEAT 22. I INTEND TO INVITE THE FOLLOWING:

PRIME MINISTER AND MRS HARRI HOLKERI SEMI-COLON
FOREIGN MINISTER AND MRS PERTT PAASIO SEMI-COLON
MAYOR HELSINKI AND MRS RAIMO ILASKIVI SEMI-COLON
FINNISH AMBASSADOR AND MRS ILKKA PASTINEN SEMI-COLON
MR AND MRS CASIMIR EHRNROOTH, PRESIDENT OF CONFEDERATION OF FINNISH
INDUSTRY SEMI-COLON
MR AND MRS THOMAS NYSTEN, CHAIRMAN OF FINNISH-BRITISH TRADE
ASSOCIATION SEMI-COLON
ADMIRAL AND MRS JAN KLENBERG, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, FINNISH DEFENCE
FORCES SEMI-COLON
MR CHARLES POWELL SEMI-COLON
MR BERNARD INGHAM SEMI-COLON
MRS CYNTHIA CRAWFORD SEMI-COLON

2. THAT LEAVES ONLY TWO PLACES WHICH MIGHT GO TO:

MR AND MRS AATOS ERKKO, OWNER OF HELSINGIN SANOMAT SEMI-COLON
RECTOR AND MRS OLLI LEHTO, HELSINKI UNIVERSITY, OR
MR AND MRS JAAKKO IHAMUOTILA, PRESIDENT OF NESTE.

GRATEFUL TO KNOW IF YOU OR NO. 10 HAVE VIEWS ON THESE OR ALTERNATIVE
SUGGESTIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO GET INVITATIONS OUT NEXT WEEK.

3. I PLAN TO WELCOME GUESTS VERY BRIEFLY AT BEGINNING OF MEAL
(WITH WHITE WINE). I SUGGEST THAT PRIME MINISTER SPEAKS FOR 5
OR 6 MINUTES BEFORE MAIN COURSE (IE WITH RED WINE). I WILL SEND
SUGGESTED SPEAKING NOTES NEXT WEEK. PRIME MINISTER HOLKERI WOULD
THEN SAY USUAL WORDS OF THANKS (WITH CHAMPAGNE) TOWARDS THE END
OF THE MEAL.

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**ADVANCE ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT OF THE PRIME
MINISTER TO FINLAND - 28-30 AUGUST 1990**

(This paper is issued for the benefit of those travelling to give advance information on travel documents, health, clothing, climate etc).

1. DETAILS OF VISIT

The Prime Minister and accompanying party, will travel to and from Finland by RAF aircraft. Timings will be advised when the programme has been confirmed.

2. TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Each member of the party must be in possession of a valid passport. Visas are not required for Finland.

3. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

a) No inoculations are needed for Finland.

b) Blood

It is essential for members of the party to know their blood group before going overseas. Those (other than FCO staff) wishing to find out their blood group should go to the Civil Service Occupational Health Service at Murray House, 3 Vandon Street, to have blood taken for this, and to know if they have Hepatitis A antibodies (for appointments, telephone 273 6331). FCO staff should go to the Medical Unit at St Thomas' Hospital (for appointments, telephone 928 4898). The Blood Group card and Hepatitis A results are sent by post. Members of the party should carry this card with them when travelling overseas.

4. CLIMATE AND CLOTHING

The average mid-day temperature at the end of August is 15°C. Frost is already possible at night, but the weather is unpredictable. There may still be mosquitos around and insect repellent is recommended. Raincoats, umbrellas and sweaters are recommended. Light clothing indoors will suffice. Dress for the Dinners on 28 and 29 August is expected to be Black tie, long/short dress but this will be confirmed.

5. VOLTAGE

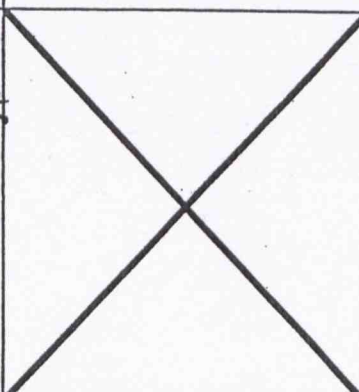
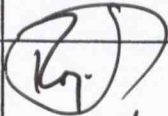
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Mrs J Greenwood

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND: 28-30 AUGUST 1990

1. I am writing to confirm my request for a set of 3 Green Security Boxes with 4 identical keys to be made available for the above mentioned visit.
2. The boxes should be sent to Pass Control Office, Room K1, King Charles Street by Friday 24 August marked for "Prime Minister's visit to Finland-Special aircraft departs on Tuesday 28 August".
3. I would be grateful if you would send the keys to me by Monday 20 August.
4. Thank you for your help.

B D Davis (Miss)
Protocol Department
OAB SG93 210 6374

25 July 1990

cc: Miss P Parkin, Duty Clerk, No 10
Mr S Papworth, Room W1, Security, FCO

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PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT FINLAND

The Prime Minister, the Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher FRS MP, will visit Finland from 28 to 30 August, during which she will carry out a programme of bilateral engagements at the invitation of the Finnish Government.

24 July 1990

Notes for Editors

1. On 30 August the Prime Minister will attend a conference of the European Democratic Union.
2. This is the Prime Minister's first visit to Finland.

*cc DQ (MWB)
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24 July 1990

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**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND - 28-30 AUGUST 1990:
COMMUNICATIONS RECCE REPORT**

1. This note describes the outline communications arrangements for the subject visit. The proposals may be subject to refinement and revision but changes are expected to be minor.

GENERAL

2. The temporary No 10 Private Office will be established at the Ambassador's Residence in Helsinki. A second general office will also be established in the Finlandia Hall for the duration of the Prime Minister's visit to the EDU Conference. Presently there is some doubt whether a Delegation Room will be made available in the Finlandia Hall. If this room is not forthcoming then it is proposed to establish the No 10 Office in the Inter-Continental Hotel which is approximately a 3 minute drive from the Finlandia Hall.

SECURE TELEGRAMS

3. A fully secure telegram service will be available using FCO channels via the Commcen in the British Embassy Helsinki which will be operational on a 24-hour basis. It will be necessary to reinforce the existing Commcen operating staff and this will be arranged by the FCO/ISD(O).

SECURE FACSIMILE

4. Secure facsimile equipment will be installed in the No 10 Private Office in the Residence for the duration of the visit. It will be possible to exchange classified texts (up to SECRET) with No 10 Downing Street via the Cabinet Office Commcen.

SECURE SPEECH

5. Brahms secure speech equipment will be carried on the visit and will be available for use in both the No 10 Private Office in the Residence and additionally in the temporary Private Office (either in the Finlandia Hall or Inter-Continental Hotel). Arrangements will be made to enable the Brahms to be used to talk securely to the STS telephones in No 10 Downing Street and the Cabinet Office.

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TELEPHONE FACILITIES

6. There will be a direct speech private wire between the switchboard in No 10 Downing Street and the No 10 Private Office in the Residence.

7. An additional Direct Speech Private Wire will also be provided between the No 10 Private Office in the Residence and the temporary Private Office which will be established in either the Finlandia Hall or the Inter-Continental Hotel.

8. Additional Direct Exchange Lines (DELs) with International Direct Dialling (IDD) will also be provided in the No 10 Private Office in the Residence. A DEL with IDD will also be provided in Bedroom 2 in the Residence. Additional Direct Exchange Lines will also be provided in the temporary No 10 Offices at either the Finlandia Hall or Inter-Continental Hotel.

LOCAL RADIO

9. Local radio will be available on the visit for use by the Protection and Administration teams and radio frequency clearance for their use has been sought.

CELLULAR PORTABLE RADIO TELEPHONES

10. It is planned to provide 4 cellular radio telephones for general use during the period of the visit.

PRESS FACILITIES

11. The UK Press Conference Room will be situated in the New Embassy, adjacent to the Residence. This room is equipped with a PA system. The COI will be placing an order for a 4-wire high quality speech circuit plus 1 additional Direct Exchange Line telephone with IDD facilities between the Administration Office in the New Embassy and COI London.

AIRBORNE SECURE COMMUNICATIONS

12. Secure airborne communications will not be available for this visit.

COMMUNICATIONS STAFF

13. Communications Coordinator - Cabinet Office
2 x Operators - FCO

TIMETABLE

14. The following timetable is for the installation and operation of communications:

SUNDAY 26 AUGUST 1990

Communications Co-ordinator and equipment travel to Helsinki.

MONDAY 27 AUGUST 1990

Install all equipment and check lines.

TUESDAY 28 AUGUST 1990

All communications facilities fully operational.

FRIDAY 31 AUGUST 1990

Communications Co-ordinator departs with all equipment.

A J Hart

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Telecommunications Secretariat

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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO HELSINKI

I have seen Philip Aylett's note of 20 July about the programme for Helsinki. It seems to be coming on quite well, although still a bit boring. We need to get something topical into the programme at the oil refinery. I really don't see any point in doing more with the press than the press conference itself. Scandinavian papers are pretty sententious on subjects like the environment and aid, and interviews will only be defensive. Anyway there will be another opportunity for the press to ask questions at the EDU press conference the following day.

We shall indeed have to fit in a bilateral with Quayle, and ideally one with Chancellor Kohl too. The only times are breakfast on 30 August and after the end of the EDU press conference. I will write to the FCO about this.

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CHARLES POWELL
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From the Private Secretary

23 July 1990

Dear David,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO HELSINKI

I have been looking at the reconnaissance team's report on the programme for the Prime Minister's visit to Helsinki. It seems to be coming on quite well, although the details of the visit to the Neste oil refinery on the afternoon of 29 August are still a bit sketchy.

It appears that the meeting with the Confederation of Finnish Industries may be an occasion when Britain's record on pollution comes under critical scrutiny. I should be grateful if the briefing for this occasion could contain some bull points on what we have done or are doing to improve that record, particularly as it affects the Nordic countries.

We shall need notes for two short speeches, at dinner at the Residence and for the President's lunch. I have exhausted my Finnish anecdotes and historical tales in recent years. Can someone please unearth some new ones?

We shall also need to fix bilaterals with Vice-President Quayle and Chancellor Kohl. The only available times seem to be after breakfast on 30 August and after the EDU's final press conference. I should be grateful if we could explore the scope for these: perhaps Kohl at breakfast and the Vice-President after the press conference.

CHARLES POWELL

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From the Private Secretary

20 July 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

Thank you for your letter of 22 July about the support staff for the Prime Minister's visit to Finland. I am content with what you propose.

CHARLES POWELL

J S Wall Esq LVO
Foreign and Commonwealth Office



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20 July 1990

Sea Charter,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND: AUGUST 90

I should be grateful for your agreement to the inclusion of the following support staff in the Prime Minister's party for her visit to Finland.

- (a) Conference Officer: Miss B Davis
- (b) Cabinet Office Coordinator: Mr A Hart
- (c) Two Communications Officers who will assist the Embassy communications staff during the visit.
- (d) Three Royal Military Police to guard the Private Office, operate safehand runs on a 24-hour basis, look after baggage etc.

Yours,

Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)

Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
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PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO HELSINKI

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Programme

The outlines of the programme are now clear. Arrangements for meetings with Holkeri, Koivisto and the Confederation of Finnish Industry are settled, but details still need firming up for the afternoon visit on the 29th. Difficulties have been caused by the mass exodus of senior people to their wooded summer retreats, but we are pressing hard and expect to confirm precise arrangements by the middle of August for all parts of the ministerial visit.

The meeting with the industrialists should be fairly straightforward except for a possible attack from the Managing Director, Timo Relander, who is convinced that the UK is the dirty man of Europe. The meeting with Holkeri will be held at the Government banqueting centre, the headquarters, as you know, of the Reds during the 1918 war.

The 11.15 photocall at the market will be similar to visits undertaken by other foreign dignitaries and should take about fifteen minutes. The Prime Minister will almost certainly be handling fish and other strong-smelling delicacies, hence the brief return to the Residence before the Presidential lunch. The Embassy think that half-an-hour is adequate for the Koivisto talks, along with lunch.

The afternoon will be spent examining the oil industry and environmental issues along the coast. Mr Holkeri is keen to spend some time showing the Prime Minister the environmental problems emanating from Estonia. There is some suggestion from his office that the helicopter might fly across the Gulf of Finland and quite close to Estonia itself. This hazardous-sounding idea is being strongly queried by the Embassy.

At the Neste oil refinery at Skoldvik, the aim is to see how the (largely state-owned) petroleum company is coming to terms with the environment. The plant itself merges well into the landscape, and we are asking Neste to outline any of their research that is addressing environmental issues. The MFA and our Embassy are working to pin Neste down to specifics. The original suggestion, made by Mr Holkeri's office, was for Mr Barlund, the environment minister who presided over the opening session of the Ozone Conference last month, to brief the Prime Minister on green issues at the Neste guest house at Skoldvik. We pointed out that it

seemed fairly pointless to fly her out simply for a briefing, however pretty the setting. Neste appear willing to work hard to put something more substantial together, but this still remains the most undeveloped part of the programme and we will be keeping a close eye on it in the next few weeks. An hour seems a sensible time for the visit.

The Finnish Navy will be ready to show what they can do with their turbine-powered fast patrol boat for the return journey. 75 minutes should be ample time, even allowing for some choppy water. After all that, running repairs will be needed before the press conference. If fifteen minutes' preparation is not enough, we could begin the conference at 5.15 instead.

Twenty five minutes should be enough for the press conference, but much would depend on our decisions on interviews (see below). The 7 pm time for the reception is firm, so the preparation time for the reception could be squeezed by any interviews.

From my point of view, the only known quantity in the programme for August 30 is the likely bilateral with Quayle. Would there be one with, say, Kohl or any other EDU delegate ?

Press

The press picture is complicated by the arrival of delegates and journalists for the EDU. Where pools are necessary, foreign (ie neither British nor Finnish) press will take their material from the Finnish pool. This will be the case at most of the venues, and I am reasonably happy with the control that will be exercised by the MFA and the security police. The visit to the marketplace should be controllable, especially as we are offering a good fixed point picture and many other foreign dignitaries have been there before.

A series of interviews with international media could be a useful way of putting down markers before the EDU. Should the net be cast wide -- or would it be preferable to keep powder dry and see what others come up with ?

At least one bus will be available for the British media, who will have to do some commuting between the Residence, the Intercontinental, (where they will be staying) and the Neste plant up country.

The interview with Yleisradio TV will be broadcast on Wednesday 29 August, in the A Studio current affairs programme at 9 pm.

The press conference is planned for the plush new Chancery, which is being fitted out and will be ready by the time of the visit. There has been local criticism of the design and that may be raised at the press conference, but the building is conveniently placed right next to the Residence and the room holds sixty, with some overflow space. Large rooms are in short supply in Helsinki that week, and this one has many advantages, particularly its modern PA system.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

28 August

- 1800 Arrive Helsinki Airport, Vantaa. Met by Mr Holkeri on tarmac. **PHOTOCALL - OPEN**
Through VIP lounge and into cars.
- 1825 Arrive at Residence, Helsinki
- 1830 Meeting to discuss programme
- 1845 Prepare for dinner. Hairdresser?
- 1930 Receiving line in front hall of Residence. Receive Mr Holkeri, the Mayor of Helsinki and other Finnish guests. (22 at dinner in all -- dress likely to be black tie). **PHOTOCALL -- 6 BRITISH (B), 6 FINNISH (F).**
- c 2000 Dinner.

29 August

- tbd Hair
- 0750 Breakfast
- 0820 Brief visit to new Chancery building and signing of visitors' book. **EMBASSY PHOTOGRAPHER WILL BE PRESENT.**
- 0840 Depart Residence
- 0845 Arrive Palace Hotel, met by Casimir Ehrnrooth, Chairman, and Timo Relander Managing Director, Confederation of Finnish Industries.
Lift to 6th Floor and walk to conference room.
Led to the far side of a long table, where party will be opposite representatives of the Confederation.
- PHOTOCALL -- 6 B, 6F, INCLUDING ONE WRITING JOURNALIST EACH SIDE. PRESS LEAVE AFTER PHOTO.**

Introduction by Mr Ehrnrooth;
PM You speak;
Discussion centred on three or four topics on trade,
to be introduced by members of the Confederation.

0955 Depart Palace Hotel

1000 Arrive Government Banqueting Centre, met by MFA Head
of Protocol, Eva-Christina Makelainen.
Upstairs to Yellow Room to meet Mr Holkeri.
PHOTOCALL -- OPEN

Talks in Prime Minister's study.

1115 Depart Banqueting Centre on foot, accompanied by Mr
Holkeri. Walk two hundred yards to quayside market.
HIGH HEELS SHOULD NOT BE WORN AT THIS POINT.

Stop at boats where potatoes and fish are sold.

PHOTOCALL -- OPEN

Move on through market specialising in many varieties of
fruit and vegetables. **PRESS PRESENT** . View harbour where
Baltic ferries are moored. Return to car.

1130 Return to Residence to prepare for lunch with President.

1155 Depart Residence for Presidential Palace

1200 Arrive Presidential Palace, met by President's ADC.
**THE PALACE HAS HIGH LEDGES IN DOORWAYS WHICH CAUSE
DIFFICULTIES FOR HIGH HEELS**
Upstairs to first floor for talks with President Koivisto

PHOTOCALL 6B, 6F. Photographers leave.

Talks begin

1230 Talks end; walk to another room on first floor for
lunch -- up to 50 guests. Informal speeches.

1400 Lunch ends. Depart for helicopter pad with Mr Holkeri.

1410 Take off for Skoldvik. En route see pollution in Gulf of
Finland and other environmental features.

1430 Arrive helicopter pad near fire station, Neste oil refinery,
Skoldvik. **PRESS PRESENT -- 6B, 6F**

- 1435 Coach to administration building for briefing with Environment Minister and senior Neste management on environment and oil trade issues.
- 1445 Out of administration building via exhibition of activities of Neste
- 1450 Coach to research centre. View research projects on environmental and other topics. PHOTOCALLS -- 6B,6F
- 1520 Depart research centre by coach
- 1525 Arrive quay and board naval fast patrol boat
PHOTOCALL -- 6B 6F
- 1630 Return to Helsinki harbour
- 1640 Arrive Residence to prepare for press conference
- 1655 To Commercial Conference Room, Chancery (via tunnel from Residence.
- 1700 Begin press conference -- OPEN . Roving mikes needed.
- 1725 End press conference
- 1730 Interviews in office near conference room (?)
- 1755 To Residence to prepare for EDU reception and dinner
- 1850 Depart Residence for reception, Intercontinental Hotel ballroom.
- 2000 EDU Dinner at Kalastajatorppa Hotel

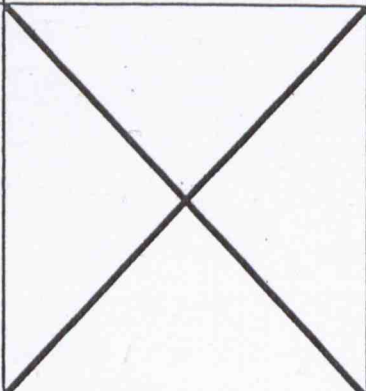
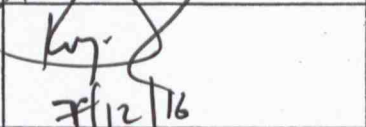
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- 0750 Breakfast
- 0900 First EDU session at Finlandia Hall. (?) Bilateral with Mr Quayle (and others)
- 1300 Buffet lunch at Finlandia Hall
- 1400 EDU Press Conference at Finlandia Hall
- Early pm Depart from business aviation centre, Helsinki Airport

Philip Aylett

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From the Private Secretary

17 July 1990

**EDU CONFERENCE HELSINKI:
BILATERAL WITH VICE PRESIDENT QUAYLE**

Thank you for your letter of 16 July about Vice President Quayle's request for a bilateral with the Prime Minister in Helsinki.

The Prime Minister would be happy to do this and we should look for a suitable time.

C. D. POWELL

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16 July 1990

Mr Charles,

Prime Minister
Agree to a bilateral
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EDU Conference Helsinki, 30-31 August:
Attendance of Prime Minister and Vice President Quale

When the Prime Minister attends the European Democratic Union (EDU) Conference in Helsinki from 30-31 August Vice-President Quale will also be there. His Office have told us and the US Embassy here that he is keen to have a bilateral meeting with the Prime Minister during the Conference. Breakfast or lunch on 30 August were suggested, but the Vice-President's Office thought it best for our respective Embassies in Helsinki to work out the details.

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The Conference will take place nearly four months after the Prime Minister saw the Vice-President at Chequers and in London on 7 and 8 May during his visit for the Eisenhower centenary events. A bilateral at the EDU conference would offer a good opportunity to review progress on arms control, defence and East/West issues discussed at the May meeting. We hope that the Prime Minister might agree to this.

Yes over
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RALPH'S (WASHINGTON) LETTER OF 1 JUNE TO FCO
PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT AND EDU MEETING, HELSINKI, 29-31 AUGUST

1. THE US EMBASSY HERE CONFIRMED TO US YESTERDAY THAT VICE-PRESIDENT QUAYLE WILL INDEED ATTEND THE EDU MEETING. THEY ARE SUGGESTING HE SHOULD ARRIVE IN THE EARLY EVENING OF 29 AUGUST, AND CARRY OUT A BILATERAL PROGRAMME ON 31 AUGUST, THEREBY (CONSCIOUSLY) AVOIDING ANY SERIOUS CLASH WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT. THEY DO NOT YET KNOW IF MRS QUAYLE WILL ACCOMPANY. IF REQUIRED, THE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR A BILATERAL WOULD SEEM TO BE BEFORE 10.00 ON 30 AUGUST, WHEN THE EDU MEETING STARTS. THE US EMBASSY WILL MAKE THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S OFFICE AWARE OF THIS.
2. THE FRG EMBASSY HAVE TOLD US THAT CHANCELLOR KOHL WILL ALSO ATTEND THE MEETING, BUT THEY HAVE AS YET NO IDEA OF HIS ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES. THE FRG COUNSELLOR THOUGHT THAT BECAUSE THERE WAS TO BE NO BILATERAL ELEMENT IN THE CHANCELLOR'S PROGRAMME, THE VIENNA-BASED EDU SECRETARIAT WOULD KNOW THE DETAILS BEFORE HE WOULD.

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BBC FINNISH SERVICE

In the light of this response, and the Prime Minister's antipathy to the BBC and all its works, I think it would be over-doing things to visit the BBC bus during such a brief visit to Finland. But we will try and work in an appropriate reference in her speech.

CHARLES POWELL

6 July 1990

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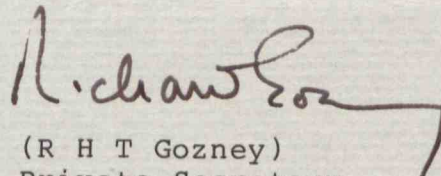
5 July 1990

*Dear Charles,*Prime Minister's Visit to Finland: BBC Finnish Service

Thank you for your letter of 27 June.

The BBC Finnish Service have in the past year expanded their FM re-broadcasting in Finland from 4 to 18 local stations covering most of the country. Their audience is around 10% of the population. The Finnish people value the BBC Finnish Service. A brief visit by the Prime Minister to the bus would give recognition of the importance we attach to the Service and help boost the Corporation's anniversary publicity. But the bus has no broadcasting equipment and so would provide no opportunity for the Prime Minister to reach the BBC's Finnish audience: it is a publicity facility the BBC use to attract crowds.

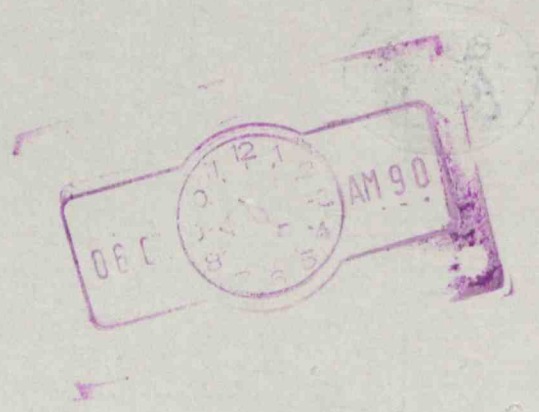
If the Prime Minister decided not to visit the bus, she might find an opportunity to refer to the BBC Finnish Service and the increased resources which we are devoting to it, as evidence of the importance which we attach to our links with Finland.

Yours ever,

(R H T Gozney)
Private Secretary

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From the Private Secretary

27 June 1990

Dear Lilend.

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

The BBC World Service have brought to our attention the fact that the BBC Finnish Service will be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, and the Head of the Service will be touring Finland in the BBC bus during the Prime Minister's visit. They have been asked whether the Prime Minister could very briefly visit the bus on the afternoon of Wednesday 29 August. I have to say that I do not think the Prime Minister would be at all enthusiastic, given her views on the BBC. But before turning this down I am happy to give you an opportunity to put any counter-arguments.

Yours sincerely,
Charles Powell

CHARLES POWELL

Richard Gozney, Esq.,
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To Powell
Can we get in X?
[Signature] 24/6



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27th June, 1990

Dear Bernard

I thought I should draw your attention to the fact that the Prime Minister's visit to Finland in August coincides with the celebration of the BBC Finnish Service fiftieth anniversary. Marjo Ahonen, the head of the service, will be touring Finland in the BBC bus (which is currently in Czechoslovakia after its successful visit to Kiev).

X | The bus will be in Helsinki while Mrs. Thatcher is in the Finnish capital, and we should very much appreciate it if she were able to visit the bus during her visit - perhaps on the afternoon of Wednesday 29 August. It would be a much appreciated visit, especially after the doorstep interview which Mrs. Thatcher gave the Finns at Bush House the other day. We have discussed this proposal with the British Embassy in Helsinki and understand it has their support.

For your background information, I enclose a brief description of the BBC Finnish Service.

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(John Tusa)

Bernard Ingham, Esq.,
Press Secretary to the Prime Minister,
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THE BBC FINNISH SERVICE

Transmission times

The service broadcasts twice a day, at 18.00-18.45 and 21.30-22.00 local Finnish time every day (Finnish time is GMT + 2 in winter, GMT + 3 in summer). Total weekly prescription is 8 hours and 45 minutes.

The BBC on local Finnish stations

The service celebrates its fiftieth anniversary this year. As a service broadcasting by short wave to a sophisticated audience in a democratic European country, its direct audience declined in recent years. In 1987, however, the local commercial station Radio Ykkonen in Helsinki started to rebroadcast simultaneously the 18.00 transmission. This proved so popular that 20 local stations in Finland in 23 towns (see attached map) are now taking Finnish Service programmes off satellite and rebroadcasting them on VHF. This has greatly increased the effectiveness of the Finnish Service. Radio Ykkonen is also broadcasting World Service¹ English bulletins throughout the year, and other stations¹ take them during the summer months for tourists.

Programmes

Finnish service programmes include news bulletins in each transmission, with current affairs magazine programmes, business and medical programming, programmes about Britain generally, sport, jazz, pop music and tourist feature programmes about Britain. English by Radio (English language teaching programming) is also included. The daily news and current affairs coverage was particularly appreciated by Finnish audiences during a journalists' strike in 1988 on Finnish National Radio and Television. And in January, **Helsingin Sanomat** quoted Prime Minister Harri Holkeri as saying that the BBC had been his main source of news on the Romanian Revolution. A similar sentiment was voiced by the Helsinki evening newspaper **Ilta Sanomat** in an article headlined "Luckily We Have the BBC". It castigated Finnish broadcasters for cancelling news programmes over Christmas on television for 48 hours and on radio for over 24 hours. Finns, the article says, had to turn to other sources, and the BBC "was best of all".

The Service marked the fiftieth anniversary of the Finnish Winter War with two special feature programmes, concentrating on British volunteers and British aid to Finland. The Service's own fiftieth anniversary will be celebrated by

¹Radio Mega in Oulou, Oikea Asema in Kuopio, Radio Matvek in Mikkeli, Radio Savonmaa in Savonlinna, and Radio Tampere in Tampere

Service head Marjo Ahonen and a group of colleagues touring Finland in the BBC World Service publicity bus.

Recent special programming: the service has mounted a number of international phone-in programmes: subjects have included Tourism in Britain, Football in Britain (with guest star Trevor Brooking), and the work of the Finnish Service itself.

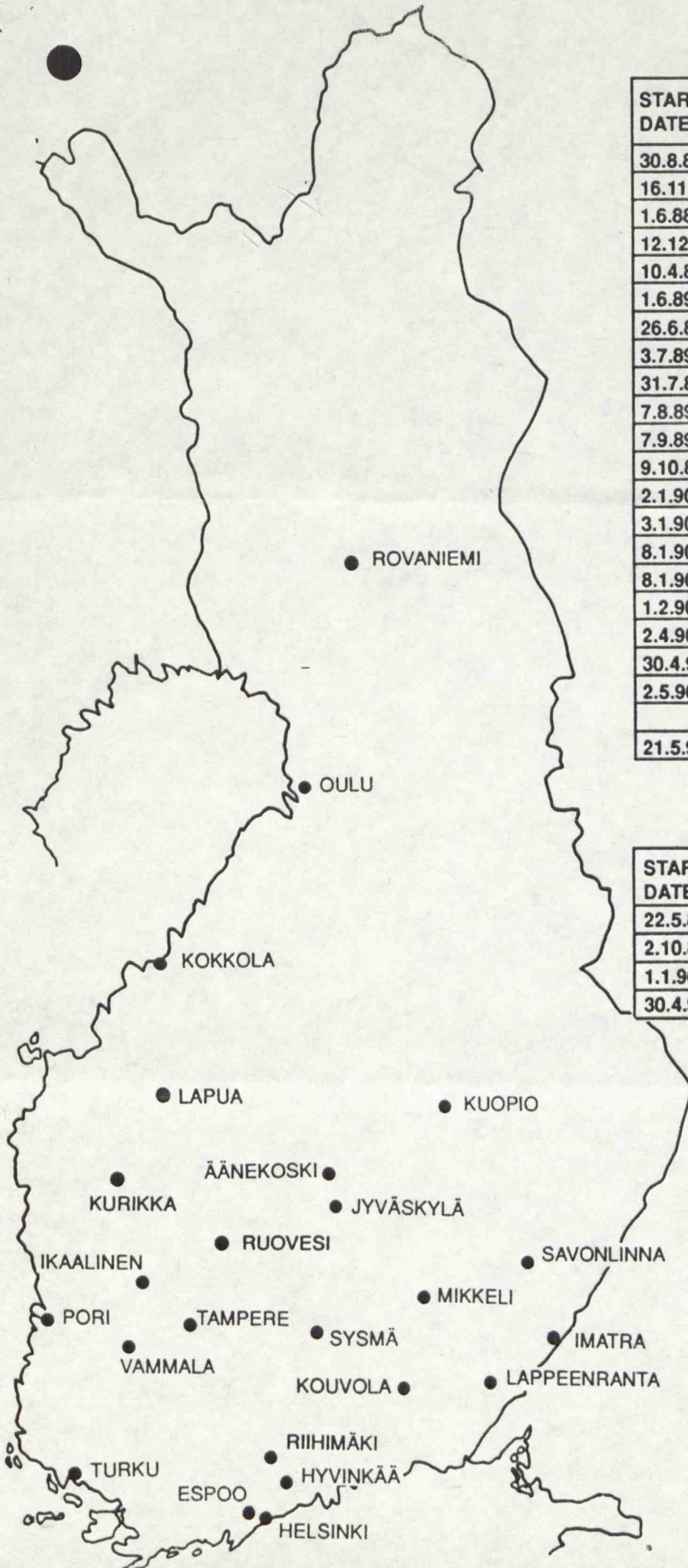
FINNISH REBROADCASTING STATIONS

1800 Finnish Time

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30.8.87	Helsinki	Radio Ykkönen
16.11.87	Mikkeli	Radio Matvek
1.6.88	Kuopio	Oikea Asema
12.12.88	Oulu	Radio Mega
10.4.89	Pori	Radio Pori
1.6.89	Lappeenranta	Salmaan Aallot
26.6.89	Savonlinna	Radio Savonmaa
3.7.89	Kokkola	Radio Kokkola
31.7.89	Tampere	Radio Tampere
7.8.89	Imatra	Salmaan Aallot
7.9.89	Äänekoski	Radio Nelostie
9.10.89	Vammala	Radio Manta
2.1.90	Ikaalinen	Radio Satahäme
3.1.90	Kouvola	SBC Radio
8.1.90	Hyvinkää	Radio Pikkupäkä
8.1.90	Riihimäki	Radio Pikkupäkä
1.2.90	Espoo	Radio West
2.4.90	Kurikka	Radio PaltaPliska
30.4.90	Lapua	Radio Simpsiö
2.5.90	Ruovesi	Radio Pirkka
	Rovanlempi	Radio Roy
21.5.90	Sysmä	Päijänne- Radio

2130 Finnish Time

STARTING DATE	TOWN	RADIO STATION
22.5.89	Turku	Auran Aallot
2.10.89	Tampere	Radio Tampere
1.1.90	Jyväskylä	Radio Jyväskylä
30.4.90	Lapua	Radio Simpsiö



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From the Private Secretary

15 June 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

Thank you for your letter of 15 June about the Prime Minister's visit to Finland.

We are hoping to use the Gulfstream IV for this journey and the Ministry of Defence are negotiating with the company. It seems an ideal option, both in terms of the route and likely size of the delegation.

CHARLES POWELL

J.S. Wall Esq LVO
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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15 June 1990

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's visit to Finland

An RAF VC10 has been reserved for this visit. However, we understand from the Ministry of Defence (MOVOPs RAF) that you have been in touch with the Ministry of Defence about the possibility of using a Gulfstream IV.

Could you let me know which aircraft you decide to use?

Yours,
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)
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From the Private Secretary

11 June 1990

Prime Minister's Visit to Finland

I have seen Helsinki telegram no 142 enclosing some revisions to the Prime Minister's programme in Helsinki. I think the two new proposals in it are sensible and can be incorporated into planning for the visit.

(CHARLES POWELL)

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YOUR TELNO 165: VISIT TO FINLAND BY THE PRIME MINISTER

1. I CALLED ON PRIME MINISTER HOLKERI TODAY TO DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS FOR MRS THATCHER'S VISIT AND TO PUT TO HIM THE POINTS MADE BY NO. 10. WE AGREED THAT THE PROGRAMME FOR THE MORNING OF 29 AUGUST LOOKED ABOUT RIGHT EXCEPT THAT THE EARLY MEETING WITH BUSINESSMEN SHOULD BE EXTENDED TO COVER THE CONFEDERATION OF FINNISH INDUSTRIES WHICH WOULD THEN PROVIDE AN IDEAL OOPORTUNITY TO PUT ACROSS TO LEADING BUSINESSMEN THE PRIME MINISTER'S VIEWS ON THE FUTURE OF EUROPE, PARTICULARLY EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL COOPERATION. AFTER LUNCH HOLKERI WOULD LIKE TO SHOW THE PRIME MINISTER SOMETHING OF THE BALTIC AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE TO BE TACKLED HERE. THIS MIGHT ENTAIL A FLIGHT BY HELICOPTER TO THE NESTE REFINERY AT PORVOO AND, POSSIBLY, THE SOVIET BUILT NUCLEAR POWER STATION AT LOVIISA. RETURN MIGHT WELL BE BY COASTGUARD BOAT THROUGH THE ARCHIPELAGO. HOLKERI SAID THAT SUCH A VISIT WOULD PROVIDE THE FRAMEWORK FOR USEFUL AND INTERESTING TALKS ABOUT BOTH THE ENVIRONMENT AND BALTIC ISSUES. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO TRY TO GO FURTHER THAN LOVIISA IN THE TIME AVAILABLE, PARTICULARLY IF THE WEATHER WERE POOR. I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR EARLY CONFIRMATION THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD BE CONTENT WITH A PROGRAMME ALONG THESE LINES.

2. HOLKERI TOLD ME THAT HE IS GIVING THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT PRECEDENCE OVER ALL OTHER BUSINESS, THAT HE HAS BLOCKED OUT THE WHOLE OF 29 AUGUST IN HIS DIARY AND THAT HE IS DETERMINED TO HEAD OFF AN ATTEMPT BY VICE PRESIDENT QUAYLE TO VISIT HELSINKI THAT DAY SEMI-COLON ALTHOUGH HE WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO AGREE TO MR QUAYLE BEING PRESENT AT THE MEETING ON 30 AUGUST AND POSSIBLY STAYING ON FOR THE NEXT DAY.

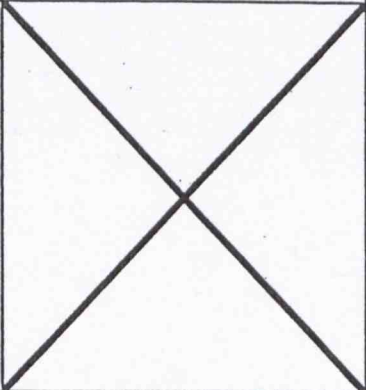
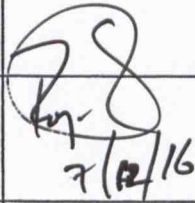
3. I AGREE THAT PROPOSED CALL ON SPEAKER CAN BE DROPPED.

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From the Private Secretary

31 May 1990

Dear Rides,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO FINLAND

I have seen Helsinki tel. no. 133 about the programme for the Prime Minister's visit to Finland. With relatively little time available, it is no doubt difficult to devise an imaginative programme. But I wonder whether we could not do slightly better. Finnish strengths, as I recall, are in architecture and design. Our commercial links are principally in the fields of timber, paper and cellulose. A programme which played to those might be more newsworthy, including perhaps a brief visit outside Helsinki in the afternoon (e.g. Jyvaskyla). We shall probably be using a Gulfstream aircraft for this visit.

On one or two details:

- the Prime Minister does not relish breakfast meetings (but has no objection to early meetings);
- I wonder whether a meeting with the Finnish Speaker is really necessary in such a short visit;
- I doubt we shall need bilaterals with EDU leaders except perhaps Chancellor Kohl.

*Yours sincerely,
C. D. Powell*

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YOUR TELNO 92:
VISIT TO FINLAND BY THE PRIME MINISTER

1. I HAVE AVAILABLE TWO DOUBLE AND TWO SINGLE ROOMS, WHICH SHOULD MEET THE PRIME MINISTER'S REQUIREMENTS. THE EDU MEETING ORGANISERS HAVE RESERVED ADEQUATE HOTEL ROOMS FOR THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE PARTY.
2. AS HE IS GIVING DINNER FOR EDU PARTICIPANTS ON 29 AUGUST, PRIME MINISTER HOLKERI IS CONTENT THAT I SHOULD HOST DINNER ON 28 AUGUST. HE WILL OF COURSE BE THE SENIOR FINNISH GUEST.
3. THE NATIONAL COALITION PARTY SAY THAT CHANCELLOR KOHL IS ALSO EXPECTED TO ATTEND EDU MEETING, AND THAT BOTH THE AUSTRIANS AND THE US EMBASSY HERE ARE PRESSING FOR AN INVITATION TO VICE-PRESIDENT QUAYLE. OBSERVERS FROM MANY PARTIES OUTSIDE EUROPE WILL ATTEND ANYWAY, BUT THE FEELING IS THAT IF QUAYLE COMES, THE MEETING WILL BECOME A FULL IDU MEETING IN ALL BUT NAME. THE FINNS ARE SOMEWHAT EMBARRASSED BY THIS.
4. MRS THATCHER'S OUTLINE PROGRAMME NOW LOOKS AS FOLLOWS:

28 AUGUST

- 18.00 ? ARRIVE HELSINKI (PRIVATE AIRCRAFT?). MET BY ME AND BY A FINNISH GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE.
STAY AT RESIDENCE.
- 19.30 DINNER AT RESIDENCE IN MRS THATCHER'S HONOUR.

29 AUGUST

- 08.45 ? BREAKFAST MEETING WITH FINNISH-BRITISH TRADE ASSOCIATION.
- 10.00 ? TALKS WITH MR HOLKERI ?
- 11.15 ? PRESS CONFERENCE ?
- 12.00 CALL ON PRESIDENT KOIVISTO FOLLOWED BY LUNCH (FIRM).
- 14.30 VARIOUS POSSIBILITIES COMBINING BUSINESS WITH A LITTLE SIGHTSEEING, E.G.
- A) MEET CSD (ADMIRAL KLENBERG) ON FINNISH NAVAL VESSEL.
TRIP TO ISLANDS NEAR HELSINKI SEMI-COLON
- B) STUDY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN BALTIC SEMI-COLON

ALTERNATIVELY, PRIME MINISTER MAY WISH TO RESERVE TIME FOR BILATERALS WITH OTHER LEADERS IN HELSINKI FOR EDU MEETING.

17.00 CALL ON PARLIAMENTARY SPEAKER, MR SORSA ? (RANKS SECOND TO PRESIDENT KOIVISTO.)

17.30 RETURN TO RESIDENCE.

19.00 EDU RECEPTION (FIRM). AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL.

20.00 EDU DINNER (FIRM). AT PRIME MINISTER'S SUMMER RESIDENCE.

5. GRATEFUL TO KNOW IF THIS OUTLINE IS ACCEPTABLE AND FOR PREFERRED OPTION FOR AFTERNOON.

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From the Private Secretary

23 April 1990

Dear Steve,

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER TO FINLAND

Thank you for your letter of 23 April about the Prime Minister's visit to Finland, in which you ask a number of questions.

The Prime Minister would, I am sure, like to stay with our Ambassador provided there is space also for sufficient support staff (at least me and one Security Officer and possibly one other). The official party will be very small: me, Bernard Ingham, possibly one other Press Officer, a Garden Room girl and a Duty Clerk. There will no doubt be additional staff from Central Office and Number 10 for the EDU meeting, but that is a separate matter. I do not yet know whether Mr Thatcher will accompany the Prime Minister but think it is, on balance, unlikely.

As regards dinners, my understanding is that there will be an EDU dinner on the evening of 29 August. If there is to be any sort of official dinner on the evening of 28 August for the Prime Minister, the first choice ought to be offered to the Finnish Government. But I see no difficulty about the Prime Minister leaving London at lunchtime on that day.

C. D. Powell
C. D. POWELL

Stephen Wall, Esq.
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23 April 1990

Dear Charles,

Visit of the Prime Minister to Finland: 28-20 August

The Embassy at Helsinki are discussing the Prime Minister's visit to Finland in August with the Finnish Prime Minister's office.

It would be useful to know:

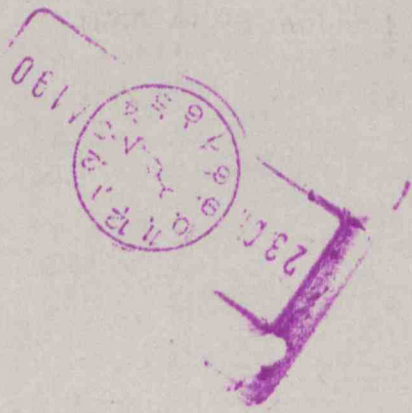
- will the Prime Minister wish to stay with HMA at the Residence?
- the likely size of the party;
- will Mr Thatcher accompany?
- HMA would wish to host a dinner in the Prime Minister's honour on 28 August - the only likely free slot. (The President and the Prime Minister of Finland are likely to be offering lunch and dinner respectively the following day.) This would, however, mean a departure from London no later than 1330 hrs, given the three-hour flights and two-hour time difference. Would that be all right?

Jam,
Stephe Wall

(J S Wall)
Private Secretary

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From the Private Secretary

19 April 1990

FINNISH MEDIA INTERVIEWS
WITH THE PRIME MINISTER

Thank you for your letter of 12 April about media interviews with the Prime Minister before her visit to Finland at the end of August. The Prime Minister would be ready to do a TV interview with Yleisradio and a written interview with Helsingin Sanomat. You might like to be in touch with Amanda Ponsonby about dates.

CHARLES POWELL

R. N. Peirce, Esq.,
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Agree to a TV interview

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12 April 1990

and a press interview before

your visit to

Finland at the end of August?

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Yes

Finnish Media Interviews with the Prime Minister

Now that the Finnish media have found out about the Prime Minister's visit to Helsinki at the end of August, our Embassy have received a number of requests for interviews and will no doubt receive several more. Although we understand that the Prime Minister will give a Press Conference during her visit we suggest that in advance of the visit we could usefully obtain good local publicity and get across British views to the Finnish media and public, by granting a TV interview and a written press interview.

The Finnish National Broadcasting Company, Yleisradio, would like to record a TV interview. They would want to cover British and European integration and have the Prime Minister's views on political trends in Europe. Our Embassy tell us that the Head of Finnish TV Current Affairs would conduct the interview. Yleisradio would be prepared to supply the areas to be covered in advance, and to meet any other conditions which we might require, such as no editing of the TV interview. The results would go out to a prime time audience.

We would not recommend taking up the Prime Minister's time with a face-to-face interview or interviews with the Finnish Press. But if the Prime Minister were interested in a written interview, then Helsingin Sanomat would look to be the obvious candidate. It is widely read in a newspaper-conscious society, and would give the Prime Minister an opportunity to put across her thoughts in greater detail than would be possible in a TV interview.

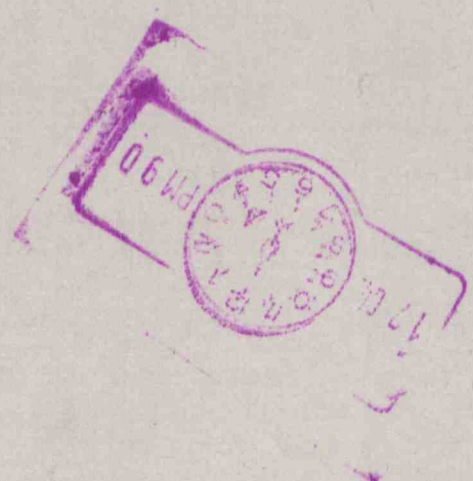
The interviews might take place one or two weeks before the visit.

Yours ever

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(R N Peirce)
Private Secretary

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MR POWELL

EDU CONFERENCE IN HELSINKI

I have now established from Jim Spicer the outline programme which the EDU would like the Prime Minister to undertake at the conference in Helsinki:

Wednesday 29 August:	Arrive for Party Leaders Dinner
Thursday 30 August:	Attend morning session followed by Press Conference and lunch

The Conference continues until 31st August but I understand that the above represents the core period. Jim tells me that Chirac and Kohl are also understood to be attending.

JOHN WHITTINGDALE

1st March, 1990

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