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Prime Minister's trip to the
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From the Private Secretary

7 November 1990

I enclose the Prime Minister's thank-you letters for her visit to Geneva for the World Climate Conference. We are not quite sure where best to send those for Professor Obasi and Dr. Tolba. I should be grateful if you could direct them wherever appropriate.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Richard Gozney, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



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cc FCO

10 DOWNING STREET
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THE PRIME MINISTER

7 November 1990

Dear Ambassador

It was very kind of you and your wife to have me to stay during my brief visit to Geneva. It is a lovely house and you made us most comfortable and welcome. I hope the visit was worthwhile from the point of view of underlining Britain's leading role on international environmental questions and in particular global climate change - even though it is getting increasingly difficult to find new things to say.

Would you please convey my thanks also to all the members of your staff who helped with the arrangements for the visit. I am most grateful for their efforts.

With every good wish to you both.

Yours sincerely

Jayant Shah

Mr M R Morland CMG

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cc FCO

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THE PRIME MINISTER

7 November 1990

Dear Dr. Tolba,

Thank you very much for inviting me to address the Second World Climate Conference in Geneva and for your very kind words when introducing me. I was glad to come and make my contribution to ensuring that we take international action to deal with the problems of global climate change. We all owe a very great deal to your inspiration and determination to secure effective international agreement. I wish you continued success.

On a personal note, it was a great pleasure to see you once more and have a talk, however brief. I hope you will continue to keep me in touch with developments.

With warm good wishes.

Yours sincerely

Nargis Shahida

Dr M K Tolba

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cc FLO

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THE PRIME MINISTER

7 November 1990

Dear Professor Obasi:

Thank you very much for inviting me to address the Second World Climate Conference in Geneva, and indeed for everything you have done to make people the world over more aware of the importance of global climate change and the issues which it raises. From all I heard in Geneva, the Conference seems destined to have a successful outcome, with a firm commitment to achieve a Global Climate Convention in 1992. That will be due in great measure to your vision and determination.

It was a particular pleasure to be able to meet and have a talk, however brief. I hope there will be another opportunity.

With every good wish.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Professor G O P Obasi

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From the Private Secretary

6 November 1990

Thank you so much for the impeccable service which you and your crew provided for the Prime Minister's flights to and from Geneva. Mrs. Thatcher is most grateful to you all.

CHARLES POWELL

Wing Commander N. Beresford, R.A.F.

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From the Private Secretary

10 DOWNING STREET
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6 November 1990

PRIME MINISTER OF TUVALU

Thank you for your letter of 5 November asking the Prime Minister to be nice to the Prime Minister of Tuvalu during the Second World Climate Conference in Geneva. The Prime Minister did have a brief talk with him and was generally sympathetic (more so than M. Rocard who, on being told that Tuvalu was a maximum of four feet above sea level, simply commented "Bonne Chance"). Unfortunately, the Prime Minister had to leave Geneva before Mr. Paeniu gave his speech because the meeting had started 20 minutes late and M. Rocard had spoken for half an hour. She explained this to Mr. Paeniu who did not seem to mind - but then he did not seem to register much emotion generally.

C. D. POWELL

Simon Gass, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office



cc PC
cc G/R

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

5 November 1990

Dear Charles,

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Second World Climate Conference, Geneva:
Prime Minister's Visit

Our Ambassador in Fiji has recommended (Suva telno 291) that, in the margins of the Conference, the Prime Minister might offer a few words of encouragement to the Tuvaluan Prime Minister (Paeniu). We realise, of course, that the Prime Minister's compressed programme may well not allow such an opportunity. However, should it do so, the Prime Minister might express sympathy over:

- (a) Tuvalu's severe budgetary difficulties, particularly as a result of the Gulf crisis;
- (b) the threat posed by global warming to low-lying countries like Tuvalu whose survival may be threatened by the predicted rise in sea level.

Yours ever,
S L Gass

(S L Gass)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street

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UKMIS GENEVA TELNO 797 TO FCO:

SECOND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT

1. I AM SURE THAT TUVALU PRIME MINISTER BIKENIBEU PAENIU WOULD VERY GREATLY APPRECIATE IT IF MRS THATCHER COULD SPARE A FEW MOMENTS TO BOOST HIS MORALE OVER THE DIFFICULTIES HE FACES IN TUVALU.

2. HE IS ABLE, LEVEL-HEADED AND DEDICATED. BUT I SENSE HE FEELS ISOLATED AND PERPLEXED BY TUVALU'S SEVERE BUDGETARY PROBLEMS (SEE ASSOCIATED 6-PAGE FAX GIVING BACKGROUND TO DIFFICULTIES CONCERNING THE TRUST FUND) AND BY THE FRUSTRATIONS OF TRYING TO DEVELOP HIS NINE TINY AND REMOTE ISLANDS WITH NEXT TO NO RESOURCES OF THEIR OWN (NOT TO MENTION THE POSSIBLY TERMINAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT FOR LOW-LYING TUVALU).

3. A FEW WORDS OF SYMPATHETIC UNDERSTANDING (WITHOUT COMMITMENT) FROM MRS THATCHER WOULD GIVE HIM VALUABLE ENCOURAGEMENT AND ASSURANCE.

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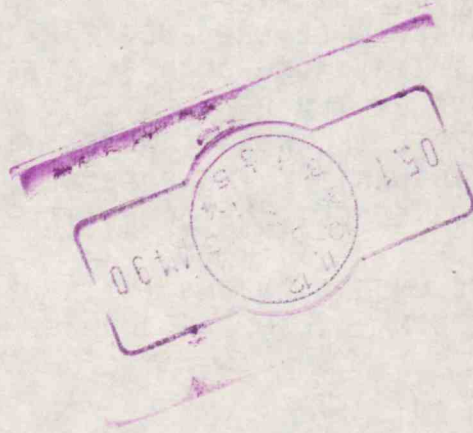
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SWCC: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT: ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS.

1. ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS AND CAR ALLOCATION ON MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

2030 PRIME MINISTER AND PARTY ARRIVE AT GENEVA AIRPORT ON BAE 146

AMBASSADOR AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE, MR MORLAND, WILL GREET PRIME MINISTER AT AIRCRAFT STEPS AND PRESENT :-

M. PERRIN, HEAD OF PROTOCOL OF CANTON OF GENEVA, WHO WILL THEN PRESENT

M. FOLLMY, PRESIDENT OF STATE COUNCIL OF GENEVA

M. HEDIGER, MAYOR OF GENEVA

AMBASSADOR DE REIDMATTEN (REPRESENTING SWISS FEDERAL GOVERNMENT)

PROF OBASI, SECRETARY-GENERAL, WMO

DR TOLBA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UNEP

PARTY WILL PROCEED TO VIP LOUNGE WHERE THERE WILL BE A PHOTO CALL (GENEVA GOVERNMENT PHOTOGRAPHER ONLY)

OFFICIAL GREETINGS WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES.

PRIME MINISTER WILL DEPART VIP LOUNGE TO CAR.

2. CAR ALLOCATION FROM AIRPORT TO RESIDENCE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS :-

CAR NUMBER

PRIME MINISTER
AMBASSADOR
(PLUS PM'S LUGGAGE)

1

MR POWELL
MR HEWITT

2

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MR INGHAM	3
MR AYLETT MR A COOPER (PRESS OFFICER)	4
MRS AILES MISS HOWLEY	5
MR TOMKINS 2 RMPS BOXES/BAGGAGE	8
MR T COOPER (SECURITY OFFICER) LUGGAGE	9 (HIRED VAN)
TO RESIDENCE/ INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL	

3. THERE WILL BE NO CUSTOMS OR IMMIGRATION FORMALITIES.

4. DUTY CLERK PLEASE ENSURE ALL BAE 146 PASSENGERS SEE THIS TELEGRAM BEFORE ARRIVAL.

MORLAND

FCO PLEASE ADVANCE IMMEDIATE TO PS/NO 10 DOWNING STREET,
MR INGHAM, NO 10, AND PRIORITY TO ESED, FCO, AND OVERSEAS
CONFERENCE AND VISITS SECTION, PROTOCOL DEPT, FCO.

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PS/MR LENNOX-BOYD
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MR GREENSTOCK
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RESIDENT CLERK

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From the Private Secretary

31 October 1990

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO GENEVA

Thank you for your letter of 31 October about the Prime Minister's flight to and from Geneva. The seating plan is fine. I have marked the menus and enclose them with this letter.

CHARLES POWELL

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

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

31 October 1990

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's visit to Geneva

I enclose for your approval a seating plan for the BAe 146 London-Geneva-London.

I also enclose suggested menus and would be grateful to know your preferences.

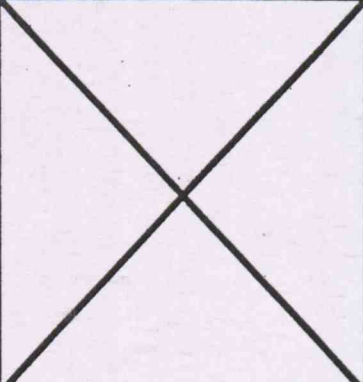
Yours,
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)

Private Secretary

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PROPOSED MENUS FOR BAe 146 ASCOT 1324
PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO GENEVA
5-6 NOVEMBER 1990

RAF NORTHOLT - GENEVA (5 NOVEMBER)

DINNER

HOT AND COLD CANAPES
MELON BOATS
BREAST OF ROAST DUCK IN SOUR PLUM SAUCE
FONDANT POTATOES
ASPARAGUS SPEARS
GLAZED BATON CARROTS
PROFITEROLES WITH CHOCOLATE SAUCE
CHEESE AND BISCUITS
COFFEE

OR

HOT AND COLD CANAPES
CREAM OF BROCCOLI SOUP
FILET OF LEMON SOLE
DUCHESS POTATOES
PETITS POIS
BABY SWEET CORN
OGEN MELON STARRED AND FILLED WITH FRESH FRUIT SALAD WITH
FRESH CREAM
CHEESE AND BISCUITS
COFFEE

GENEVA - RAF NORTHOLT (6 NOVEMBER)

LUNCH

SMOKED SALMON CORNETS FILLED WITH CAVIAR
ROAST RACK OF LAMB IN MINT GRAVY
CHATEAU POTATOES
MANGE TOUT
CAULIFLOWER FLORETS
BLACK CHERRY CHEESECAKE
CHEESE AND BISCUITS
COFFEE

OR

PATE DE FOIE-GRAS
POACHED SALMON
NEW POTATOES
FRENCH GREEN BEANS
STUFFED TOMATOES
APPLE PIE WITH FRESH CREAM
CHEESE AND BISCUITS
COFFEE



(MEM)
bcc PC

10 DOWNING STREET
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From the Private Secretary

31 October 1990

Dear Sir,

SECOND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

Thank you for your letter of 30 October about King Hussein's request for a bilateral with the Prime Minister while she is in Geneva for the Second World Climate Conference. The Prime Minister would be happy to see the King and I should be grateful if the necessary arrangements could be made.

Yours sincerely
Charles Powell

CHARLES POWELL

Simon Gass, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

30 October 1990

Dear Charles,

Yes not

Ref Minister
Agree to a meeting
G.A.

Second World Climate Conference

In your letter of ¹⁰5 October to Philip Ward (Department of the Environment) you suggested that we might try for a bilateral with President Collor of Brazil early on 6 November before the Conference begins. Our Embassy in Brasilia approached the Brazilians but have now learnt that President Collor will not, after all, attend the Conference.

We have meanwhile heard that King Hussein has decided to attend. The Jordanians have asked for a bilateral. The Foreign Secretary recommends that the prime Minister agree to meet him.

Yours ever,

(S. L. Gass)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street

PM TOLLS : World Conference Climate
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23 October 1990

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**PRIME MINISTERS VISIT TO GENEVA: 5-6 NOVEMBER 1990
COMMUNICATIONS PLAN**

1. This plan describes the communications arrangements for the above visit.

TIMETABLE

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

SATURDAY 3 NOVEMBER 1990

- Communications Coordinator travels to Geneva.
- Test PTT-supplied facilities.

SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER 1990

- Communications Operator and equipment travel to Geneva by commercial flight.

MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER 1990

- Secure facsimile operational.

TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 1990

- Pack equipment

WEDNESDAY 7 NOVEMBER 1990

- Depart for UK by commercial flight.

STAFF

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

GENERAL

4. The No 10 Private Office will be established in the Ambassador's Residence on Monday 5 November and will relocate to the Conference Centre (CICG Geneva) on the morning of Tuesday 6 November.

SECURE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

5. Secure Facsimile
Brahms Secure Speech

SECURE TELEGRAMS

6. A fully secure FCO telegram service will be available throughout the visit via UKMIS Geneva communications channels. Safe-hand runs will operate between the UK Mission and the Residence and Conference Centre as required.

AIRBORNE SECURE TELEGRAMS

7. Airborne secure telegrams will not be available on this visit.

SECURE FACSIMILE

8. A secure facsimile system will be installed in the temporary No 10 Private Office at the Residence (but not at the Conference Centre) and will enable CONFIDENTIAL (and occasional SECRET) texts to be exchanged with No 10 Downing Street via the Cabinet Office Communications Centre.

SECURE SPEECH

9. Brahms Secure Speech facilities will be available in the Private Office and will be installed by technical staff on demand. A fully secure speech facility is also available in the UK Mission building.

DIRECT SPEECH PRIVATE WIRE

10. 1 x direct private wire speech circuit between the No 10 Private Office in the Residence and the No 10 Downing Street switchboard. (This will be switched to the Private Office in the Conference Centre when the Private Office relocates.)

TELEPHONES - GENERAL

11. Those staying at the Residence will have access to normal Residence telephone facilities (Note: The Residence also has one extension off the UKMIS switchboard). Those staying at the HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL will have normal hotel telephones with IDD facility.

ADDITIONAL TELEPHONES

12. RESIDENCE

- 2 x Direct Exchange Line (DEL) telephones with International Direct Dial (IDD) facility in the No 10 Private Office in the Residence. One of these can be extended to the room occupied by PS/PM when required.

- 1 x Cell-phone to supplement DEL/IDD telephones.

13. CONFERENCE CENTRE

- 3 x DEL/IDD telephones in the No 10 Private Office.
- 1 x DEL/IDD telephone in the UK Press Briefing Room.
- 1 x DEL/IDD telephone in the Conference Room for use by COI.

14. HOTEL INTERCONTINENTAL

- 1 x DEL/IDD telephone in the Press Suite in addition to the normal hotel telephone.

COI

15. It is understood that COI may place an order for a 4-wire high quality leased private wire to connect between the Conference Centre and the COI in London.

CELLULAR PORTABLE TELEPHONES

16. Four cellphones will be provided for use in Geneva.

LOCAL RADIO

17. A small quantity of VHF hand-portable radios ('walkie-talkies') will be available for use by the Protection Team and the Administration Team.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

18. Telephone numbers at all locations will be provided by Protocol Department FCO when these are available.

R. Hope

R HOPE
Telecommunications Secretariat

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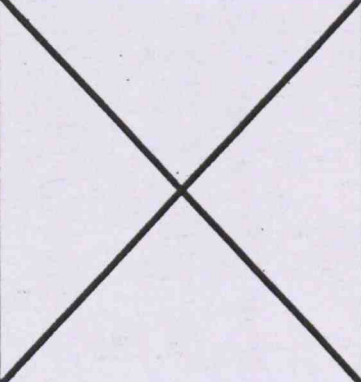
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GENEVA	5 NOVEMBER 1900 (2000)	6 NOVEMBER 1130 (1230)		SECURE TELEGRAMS SECURE FAX (Note 6) SECURE SPEECH IDD
AIRBORNE (GENEVA-UK)	6 NOVEMBER 1200 (1300)	6 NOVEMBER 1330		NIL

NOTES:

1. ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND PROVISIONAL.
2. GMT times are unbracketed.
3. LOCAL times are bracketed.
4. UK: Local time is GMT
5. Geneva: Local time is GMT + 1
6. Secure facsimile is not expected to be available once the Party has left the Residence for the Conference Centre on the morning of Tuesday 6 November 1990.

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From the Private Secretary

17 October 1990

2ND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE, GENEVA:
5-6 NOVEMBER - SUPPORT STAFF

Thank you for your letter of 17 October proposing the support staff for the Prime Minister's brief visit to Geneva. I am content with what you propose.

C.D. POWELL

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

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

17 October 1990

Dear Charles,

2nd World Climate Conference, Geneva:
5-6 November - Support Staff

I should be grateful for your agreement to the inclusion of the following support staff in the Prime Minister's party for the visit to Geneva on 5-6 November:

- Conference Office (Miss Maureen Howley);
- Cabinet Office Coordinator (to install Classified fax);
- two Royal Military Police to guard the Private Office; overnight, operate safehand runs, look after baggage, etc;
- one Communications Officer who will assist the UK Mission's communications staff during the visit.

Jans,
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street

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From the Private Secretary

17 October 1990

2ND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE, GENEVA: 6 NOVEMBER

Thank you for your letter of 17 October about the arrangements for the Prime Minister's attendance at the 2nd World Climate Conference in Geneva. The proposed travel arrangements are most helpful. We would like the helicopter into Wellington Barracks on the return journey.

I am sure the Prime Minister would be happy to stay in the Ambassador's Residence.

I am copying this letter to Philip Ward (Department of the Environment).

C.D. POWELL

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

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London SW1A 2AH

17 October 1990

Dear Charles,

2nd World Climate Conference, Geneva: 6 NovemberTravel

A BAe 146 has been reserved for the Prime Minister and accompanying party. We understand that the Secretary of State for the Environment and Private Secretary will also travel on the outward flight.

The Swiss authorities inform us that Geneva Airport is highly congested between 1800-1900 at night. Timings for the BAe could therefore be:-

Monday 5 November (UK = GMT, Geneva = GMT +1 hour)

ETD RAF Northolt	1800
Flying time	1 hour 30 minutes
ETA Geneva	2030

Dinner will be served on the flight.

We have informed the Conference organisers that the Prime Minister must leave the Conference Centre not later than 1230 because of engagements in London that afternoon. Timings for departure could be:-

Tuesday 6 November

ETD Geneva	1250
Flying time	1 hour 40 minutes
ETA RAF Northolt	1330

Lunch will be served on the flight.

A helicopter could, if required, fly the Prime Minister from Northolt to Wellington Barracks on return on 6 November.

I should be grateful to know if you agree with these timings. Do you want a helicopter?



Accommodation

Following the recent reconnaissance visit to Geneva, we have the following recommendation to make regarding accommodation.

The recce team looked at the various options which included HM Ambassador's Residence, the Inter-continental Hotel and another hotel, La Réserve.

The Intercontinental is a large, efficiently run hotel, well used to dealing with important visitors who have a high-security profile and are at risk. We looked at several suites, all of which would be suitable for the Prime Minister.

Several other heads of state may well stay in the hotel and we would not necessarily know who they are until nearer the day of the conference. At present, the President of Bangladesh has a confirmed reservation. The Jordanian Delegation have also reserved accommodation and, indeed, King Hussein, who intends to attend the Conference, might well stay in the hotel (where he has stayed before). In any case, there is likely to be a high press presence in the hotel.

We also looked at HM Ambassador's Residence. He could accommodate the Prime Minister, Private Secretary and a Detective. It is an very comfortable house, high above the south side of the lake. It is secluded and therefore quiet and would present no security problems to the local police.

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

The Swiss police assured us that the journey from the Residence into the Conference Centre would take no more than 10/15 minutes and they promised to provide an escort.

The other hotel which we inspected was unsuitable on grounds of inadequate accommodation and probable traffic congestion.

The recommendation of the reconnaissance team is that the Prime Minister should stay with HM Ambassador. Det Supt Butler agrees with this recommendation.

If it is decided that the Prime Minister should stay in the Residence, the Deputy Head of Mission, who lives

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on the same estate a few minutes drive away, would be very happy to accommodate the Secretary of State for the Environment and his Private Secretary for the night of 5 November. He could then, if he stays longer in Geneva, move either into the Residence or into an hotel.

The remainder of our Delegation would be accommodated at the Intercontinental Hotel (including a Suite for the Assistant Press Secretary).

I am copying this letter to Philip Ward (DOE).

Jany,
Stephen Wall
(J S Wall)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
10 Downing Street

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From the Private Secretary

5 October 1990

SECOND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

BF || Thank you for your letter of 4 October about the arrangements for the opening ceremony of the Second World Climate Conference. The Prime Minister will clearly have to fly out to Geneva the previous evening in order to be at the Conference Centre at 0930 on 6 November. She would stay for the speeches of other Heads of Government attending but must leave the Conference Centre not later than 1230 in order to return to London where she has engagements from 1400. That means, I am afraid, the Prime Minister cannot stay for the lunch and I should be grateful if this could be explained to the organisers. I do not think the Prime Minister would see a necessity for bilaterals with any of the other Heads of Government attending except for Brazil (she has seen both Malta, Norway and Bangladesh recently). We might try for a bilateral with President Collor early on 6 November before the Conference.

The Prime Minister will be accompanied only by a very small staff of myself, Bernard Ingham, and a Garden Room Girl as well as two or three Protection Officers. I should be grateful if the FCO could make arrangements for our overnight stay, which I suggest should be in an hotel, and for a suitable aircraft.

I am copying this letter to Richard Gozney (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

(CHARLES POWELL)

Phillip Ward, Esq.,
Department of the Environment.

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Your ref:

Charles Powell Esq
Private Secretary to
The Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
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4 October 1990

Dear Charles,

SECOND WORLD CLIMATE CONFERENCE

Following a preparatory meeting for the Second World Climate Conference in Geneva last week, we now have a reasonable picture of the arrangements for the opening ceremony of this Conference, which should enable you to reach final decision about the timing of the Prime Minister's attendance.

The Conference is timed to begin at 10.00am on 6 November, and the Prime Minister might aim to arrive at the Conference Centre around 9.30am, to allow time for a cup of coffee with Professor Obasi and the other heads of State or Governments who are to address the Conference. After a brief opening ceremony and a speech of welcome from the President of Switzerland we understand that the Prime Minister will be the first visiting head of Government to speak. We understand that the other heads of State or Government who are likely to address the opening ceremony are Malta, Norway, Bangladesh and possibly Italy and Brazil. King Hussein had accepted an invitation but it seems unlikely that he will fulfil it. The whole ceremony will therefore last until around 12.30pm.

The organisers of the Conference are keen that the Prime Minister should stay for all the opening speeches, and then join a brief lunch for the heads of States and Governments. This would allow a departure by around 2.00pm. If the Prime Minister cannot stay that long there would be no problem with her leaving after the opening speeches.

There will clearly be the opportunity for short bilateral meetings if the Prime Minister wished to undertake other engagements. The Foreign Office will have views on possibilities, but my Secretary of State's view is that in the climate change context the Brazilian

Minister is the top priority. Brazil is a major player in climate change discussions, and leading the opposition to our preference that the convention negotiations be undertaken by UNEP and WMO. They are proposing a special Conference, convened by the UN General Assembly, which we feel could severely delay progress. It would be helpful to put pressure on the Brazilians in advance of the UN debate later this Autumn which will resolve the issue.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Richard Gozney.

Yours

Phillip

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Private Secretary

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