

PRIME MINISTER

Economic Summit: Versailles, 4-6 June

I would be grateful for your views on two points.

Church

The Summit begins on Friday afternoon and goes on until dinner on Sunday evening. The French are consulting the participants about church on Sunday morning. They are prepared to organise an ecumenical service in the chapel of the Chateau at Versailles (the venue for the Summit). Mitterrand and Trudeau are Roman Catholics. Spadolini does not go to church. The French are seeking the views of the three Protestants - Reagan, Schmidt and yourself. And they do not know what to do about Mr. Suzuki.

There is an alternative of attending a service at the Protestant church in Versailles town. But you may think it would be rather conspicuous to absent yourself from an ecumenical service if one is arranged and, for example, Reagan and Schmidt go to it.

*Yes*

Agree that we may tell the French that if the other participants decide to attend an ecumenical service, you will be glad to also?

Hairdresser

Do you insist on an English one during the Summit or will you accept an English-speaking French one?

*Yes*

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*Letter sent*

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