

PRIME MINISTER

Now! Speech

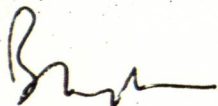
I attach a first draft of the Now! speech, plus supporting material provided by Departments. Sir James Goldsmith's proposed opening remarks are at Doc. A. Material on British technological achievements and innovations is at Doc. B.

I have used Sir James's opening remarks as a cue for

- continuing economic education;
- generating hope, notably by demonstrating that we can see our way forward economically and that the British inventive genius is alive and well; and
- finally underlining the need not merely for pride in achievement and excellence but also for an iron determination to succeed on the part of all leaders.

In the process, I have pretty directly sought to spread responsibility far more widely than the shop floor worker and his union.

I hope this provides a useful basis for a final text.



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