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From the Private Secretary

21 May 1979

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Dear Paul,

Call on the Prime Minister by the President of the European Commission on 21 May 1979

The President of the European Commission, Mr. Foy Jenkins, called on the Prime Minister at No. 10 today at 12 noon. Mr. Jenkins was accompanied by Mr. Tickell; Mr. Michael Franklin (Cabinet Office) was present.

I enclose a copy of my note of the Prime Minister's discussion with Mr. Jenkins. I should be grateful if you would ensure that it is given the restricted distribution appropriate to Prime Ministerial records.

You will note the Prime Minister's reference to the need for co-ordinated research on the bargaining position of the West, and of the EEC in particular, vis-a-vis OPEC in any forthcoming negotiations on oil prices and supplies. I should be grateful for advice on how such a study might be initiated, either nationally or within the Community framework. I should also be grateful if the CIA paper produced in 1976, to which Mr. Tickell referred, could be identified and a copy sent to me for the Prime Minister's information.

I am sending copies of this letter and enclosure to Garth Waters (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food), Andrew Duguid (Department of Industry), Bill Burroughs (Department of Energy) and Martin Vile (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever, Djanlandedy.

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