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Bonn Summit

I promised to put on record some of the procedural points which were covered during the working dinner for personal representatives on 26th June.

2. First the main agenda. Schmidt envisages starting at 10.00 am on Sunday, 16th July with a short general introductory discussion about the Summit and the various linkages. The meeting would then go on to discuss macro-economics i. e. Growth, Inflation and Employment. This would last the whole morning and probably go on after lunch also. The meeting would then turn to Energy. On the second day Schmidt would propose to take international monetary policies first (even though this would come last in the Communique): and then go on to trade (MTNs and protectionism) and North/South. The Communique would be discussed in the final session, and they were aiming to have the Press Conference at about 6.00 pm.

3. The Sunday night dinner for Heads of Government would be informal and political. Schmidt envisaged a substantial session. Heads of Government would meet at 7.00 pm, dine at 8.00 and go on for as long as they liked. Schmidt envisaged discussing Africa, the Middle East, East/West, Detente, SALT and Disarmament, and China/Asia/Indian Ocean.

4. On Sunday there will be three separate lunches for Heads of Government, Foreign Ministers and Finance Ministers.

5. There will be no lead off speakers at the Summit.

6. It was clear that Strauss, Haferkamp, Ushiba and Warren would expect to be in Bonn, but no decision was taken on whether they would be admitted to the meeting for the trade session. Very different views were held and we felt this was something which Heads of Government could only decide much nearer the time in the light of progress on the MTNs.

7. Grunewald, the deputy Government spokesman for economic affairs, is suggesting a meeting of Press Officers on the evening before the Summit. I am warning Tom McCaffrey.

8. I have written separately to you about passes.

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