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TELEGRAM NUMBER 536 OF 13 SEPT

YOUR TELNO 379: CALLS ON DENG XIAOPING.

1. SINCE I SPOKE WITH VICE FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN ON 8 SEPTEMBER, ON THE MATTER, HEAD OF CHANCERY HAS ASKED FOR A SECOND CALL ON DENG TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME WHEN SPEAKING ON TWO OCCASIONS TO PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT AND AGAIN TODAY WITH WED. I HAVE ALSO BEEN ASKING SINCE 10 SEPTEMBER FOR A CALL EARLY THIS WEEK ON VICE MINISTER ZHANG WENJIN, WITH WHOM I WISH TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER, AND THAT OF THE CALL ON HU YAOBANG. ZHANG WENJIN ONLY RETURNED TO HIS DESK THIS MORNING AFTER THE PARTY CONGRESS AND HAS NOT YET GIVEN ME AN APPOINTMENT. I AM CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL SEE ME IN THE NEXT DAY OR TWO.

2. WE SHALL KEEP UP MAXIMUM PRESSURE BUT I CANNOT PRETEND THE CHANCES OF A SECOND CALL ON DENG ARE PARTICULARLY GOOD. THE PRESENT PROGRAMME MAKES SOME CONCESSION TO US IN ALLOWING FOR NEARLY TWO HOURS WITH HIM, THOUGH WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT HE WILL STAY THE FULL COURSE.

CRADOCK

Prime Minister

Content to leave it to Jerry Conrad/  
for the time being?

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