

PRIME MINISTER

Meeting with Sir Percy Cradock

It would be helpful if we could take the opportunity of your talk with Percy Cradock to finalise the programme for your visit to China.

I attach a copy of the present draft programme. You will wish to discuss some possible additions which the FCO have suggested. They are:

- (a) a visit to the Peking Cancer Research Institute (which has bought a substantial quantity of British equipment and technology, and the Professor of which is a vigorous proponent of Sino/British medical co-operation);
- (b) attendance at a cultural performance in Shanghai;
- (c) laying a wreath in Tiananmen Square at the monument to the martyrs of the Revolution. (It attach a note about this at Flag A, from which you will see that no senior British visitor has ever laid a wreath at the monument but that many Western Heads of Government have done so recently);
- (d) opening or paying a visit to a major British book exhibition in Peking mounted by the British Council;
- (e) visits to the Peking Conservatoire (which has good links with Britain), the Central Ballet Academy or a Chinese painter's or calligrapher's studio.

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