

PRIME MINISTER

Points to Cover in your Talks with
President Reagan

EAST WEST RELATIONS

President Brezhnev's speech - some interesting features (in particular extension of area covered by CBMs) but nothing really new. Need for a considered reaction. President's reaction to Summit proposal.

Poland - assessment of present situation. Mildly encouraging? Need to maintain a "hands off" posture.

Afghanistan - Western objectives unchanged. Importance of Pakistan's position. Message from President Zia. Does the President envisage strengthening US commitment to Pakistan?

NEED FOR ALLIANCE CO-ORDINATION

Importance of NATO and, more specifically, quadripartite machinery. Possibility of a directive from Foreign Ministers about the priority to be given to quadripartite consultation. President's attitude to quadripartite summits.

DEFENCE POLICY

Nuclear understandings.

Leans

TNF deployment and arms control. Importance of maintaining both halves of NATO's double decision. Particularly significant for the "Germans."

Neutral bond

/ MIDDLE EAST

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Arab/Israel dispute: how do the Americans see the continuation of Camp David? Role for Europe? Seen by us as complementary not competitive.

Iran/Iraq: will the hostilities spread or stabilise? Importance of the Gulf. Welcome signs of co-ordination among the Gulf states. Will the Americans pursue the Rapid Deployment Force? UK willing in principle to help. Your visit.

SOUTHERN AFRICA

✓ Namibia: does President Reagan envisage pursuing a policy similar to that of the previous administration? Possibility of present OAU meeting resulting in General Assembly debate and, ultimately, Chapter 7 Resolution. The veto?

CENTRAL AMERICA

- *South America*

El Salvador: sympathise with US objectives. But what action is proposed? Difficulties of publicly supporting extremist regimes (Schmidt's attitude).

Belize/Guatemala: desirability of early agreement. Hope that Guatemala can be encouraged to moderate claims.

WORLD ECONOMY

Recession and the causes thereof: Ottawa Summit - President Reagan's views on attendance and agenda.

North/South: Mexico Summit - does President Reagan plan to attend? Is he seeking postponement? If so, for how long?

/ FAST REACTORS

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Is the new administration interested in Anglo/American co-operation in this field?

IRELAND

Likelihood that hunger strikes are about to recommence.
HMG will not change position on political status.

Invite her to visit.

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