

PRIME MINISTER'S ENGAGEMENTS

The Prime Minister is in Bonn for talks with the Federal German Chancellor, Lord Carrington, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Mr. Francis Pym and Mr. Peter Walker are also there. The Prime Minister and each Minister will have separate bilateral talks with their German counterparts.

After lunch, the Prime Minister will call on the Federal German President, Herr Carstens; at 4.00 p.m. (Bonn time) there will be a further plenary session; at 5.30 a joint press conference.

We will try to give the Lobby "half-time" briefing after lunch.

STATEMENTS IN THE HOUSE

At 3.30 the Home Secretary will make a statement on the Report of the Committee of Enquiry into the U.K. Prison Service.

This will be followed by a statement from Mr. Buchanan-Smith on the Council of Ministers meeting in Luxembourg.

The Public Expenditure White Paper statement will be at 3.30 on 1 November.

A written answer of interest from the Department of Industry: Whether the interruption in telephone billing will necessitate any adjustment to the Post Office's cash limit in 1979/80.

Publication of Darryn Clarke Report will be delayed until next week - delivery and distribution problems.

BILLS

The Protection of Trading Interests Bill will be published today; press conference at 3.30, Department of Trade.

Civil Aviation Bill will be published tomorrow - press conference at 2.30 at Department of Trade.

M40/M42 - the appeal will be heard in the House of Lords on 19 November. Agreement has been reached that in the meantime each side will bear its own costs. Details from Robin Goodfellow, Department of Transport.

PREMIER HUA

On-the-record press conference will be held at No. 12 at 6.00 p.m.

on 1 November