



10 DOWNING STREET

*From the Private Secretary*

12 January 1979

GUADELOUPE: FOLLOW-UP ACTION

The Prime Minister has now seen Sir John Hunt's minute (A08677) of 10 January about follow-up to Guadeloupe, together with the table of proposed follow-up action annexed to it.

The Prime Minister is content with all the action proposed. Specifically, the Prime Minister agrees that Sir John Hunt should take the line proposed in paragraph 3 of his minute with Mr. Miyazaki when he sees him on 15 January; and that the Prime Minister's eventual reply to Mr. Ohira's letter of invitation to the Tokyo Economic Summit should be along the lines indicated by Sir John.

The Prime Minister has also agreed that we should inform the Canadians of President Brezhnev's recent letter to the Prime Minister about arms sales to China and of the terms of the Prime Minister's reply. I am writing to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office to ask them to put this action in hand.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the other follow-up action detailed in Sir Clive Rose's note to be initiated as soon as possible.

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Prime Minister

You may like to see this check list of follow-up action.

Content? *Yes*

MR. CARTLEDGE

Guadeloupe: Follow Up Action

On the aircraft this morning I showed you a checklist of follow up action which Sir Clive Rose had prepared, and promised to send you a copy of it. It is attached herewith.

2. As you will see serials 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 13 are all allocated to the Cabinet Office. You already have the draft for serial 3. I do not think any action is needed on serial 7, though I shall be de-briefing to the MOD and FCO. We will be asking the FCO to get on with serials 10, 11 and 12. Action on serial 9 lies with the FRG.

3. There is one point which I should add about serials 1 and 2. Since returning to London I have heard that Mr. Miyazaki will be in London on Sunday and Monday and has asked to see me on Monday morning. I do not propose to submit a draft reply for the Prime Minister to send to Mr. Ohira, or for me to send to Mr. Miyazaki, until after I have seen him. But in conversation with him I propose to take the line that:-

(a) The Prime Minister will be replying to Mr. Ohira's letter shortly.

This reply is likely to say that the Prime Minister favours a Summit in Tokyo at the end of June, provided the preparatory work shows that a Summit will be worthwhile. (President Carter's reply is likely to go further and say that a second pre-condition is that the Japanese should in the meantime take significant action to reduce their surplus. The Prime Minister may not want to say this in his letter but I could make the point orally to Mr. Miyazaki.)

(b) As regards Mr. Miyazaki's letter to me saying that the Japanese would like to invite Australia, this suggestion was discussed between the 4 Heads of Government at Guadeloupe. President Carter, President Giscard and Chancellor Schmidt were all strongly

Sir John Hunt *Handwritten initials*

Guadeloupe: Follow-up action

The following table of follow-up action required as a result of the Guadeloupe meeting is taken from the records and our subsequent conversation.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Action required</u>	<u>To be taken by</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1. Tokyo Economic Summit	Letter to Prime Ohira about dates	Prime Minister	Draft by Sir J. Hunt
2. Tokyo Economic Summit	Letter to Mr. Mizaki explaining why Australia's attendance is unacceptable	Sir J. Hunt	Is it intended to co-ordinate the draft with Dr. Bizezinski or your other colleagues? <i>Owen has already shown me the US letter.</i>
Arms sales to China	Reply to Brezhnev's latest letter	FCO to submit draft to No.10	Should we tell the Canadians about the latest Brezhnev letter and terms of the reply? (They informed us in NATO about the letter received by Mr Trudeau).
Grey Area Systems	Paper summarising the discussion to be circulated to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, F/C Secretary, and Defence Secretary.	To be drafted by Sir Clive Rose for submission to No.10	This should also cover what was said about the UK successor system

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UK successor system	Letter to President Carter confirming Prime Minister's conversation with him	To be drafted by Sir Clive Rose	This is to await Prime Minister's decision on composition of the UK team <i>P.M. discussed &amp; decided it is yesterday. See/1.51</i>
Grey area systems	Further quadripartite contacts with Mr. David Aaron early in February	Sir Clive Rose	A brief will be required which will probably have to be drafted in the Cabinet Office for clearance with FCO and MOD : & cleared with P.M.
NATO Secretary General	Consideration by Foreign Ministers of the succession to Dr. Luns	Dr. Owen	This was a tentative conclusion, but there was no decision about who should take the initiative in pursuing it. ] <i>1.2.51 think anyone is ready to do it in UK unless Schmitt does.</i>
Oil prices increases	Message to the Saudis urging restraint	To be drafted by Cabinet Office for the Prime Minister to send	President Carter asked that the other three should send messages on these lines to Prince Fahd before the latter's visit to Washington (date to be checked)
Turkey	Meeting of experts to consider economic aid in parallel with progress over Cyprus	FRG	The initiative rests with the Germans, but at Chancellor Schmidt's request we must be prepared to field both economic and Cyprus experts
South Africa	Meeting of experts of the Five to co-ordinate policy towards South Africa	FCO	Prime Minister agreed that we should take the initiative in calling this meeting. The paper will probably be required as a basis for discussion.
NATO	Briefing of the Council by US Permanent Representative. Guidance for UK Permanent Representative on line to take in the Council in support of the US Permanent Representative's Report	FCO	President Carter agreed that the US would take the lead in briefing NATO.

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EEC	Guidance for the UK Ambassador on line to be taken in support of the report to the Nine by the French Ambassador	FCO	President Giscard agreed that France would take the lead in briefing the Nine
Statement to Parliament	Draft required for statement by the Prime Minister on 15 January	Cabinet Office	We need to decide who should draft this J.B.H -

There are two other points on which action will be required:-

- (i) Harriers. We had been planning that the paper on the sale of Harriers to China should be circulated by the Cabinet Office for consideration by DOP in the week beginning 15 January. The paper was intended to be the basis for the substantive discussion which the Prime Minister undertook to have on his return from Guadeloupe. In fact, the Prime Minister's briefing of the Press on the way out to Guadeloupe has generally been taken as indicating that a definite decision has already been made, and this was clearly implied in the quadripartite discussion of this subject. How should we now proceed? Possibly the best way would be for the Prime Minister to report to his DOP colleagues what transpired and the reactions of the other three, and for a discussion in DOP to take place on the basis of his report. But the Prime Minister may hope to dispose of this subject in the context of his report to the Cabinet on Thursday, 11 January.

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(ii) SALT II. The Prime Minister, together with President Giscard and Chancellor Schmidt, undertook publicly to express support for SALT II. Something about this should be said in the statement before Parliament on 15 January. But we shall have to follow up with a specific statement when the final conclusion of the SALT II agreement is announced.

*Clive Rose*

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9 January, 1979.