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Prime Minister

Do you accept this agenda?

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Yes. *ms*  
Dear John,

Prime Minister's Visit to Japan: Agenda

The Embassy have negotiated, ad referendum, the following agenda for the Prime Minister's talks with Mr Suzuki:

- (i) ? Political cooperation between the UK and Japan.
- (ii) International political issues. (East-West, Transatlantic relations, Soviet Union, China and the Middle East).
- (iii) World economic situation. (Including monetary issues, forthcoming GATT Ministerial Meeting, North-South relations and any other issues which the Prime Ministers wished to pick up following the Versailles Summit Meeting).
- (iv) Bilateral economic relations between Britain and Japan. (Economic and trade problems, scientific and technological cooperation).

This agenda has been cleared provisionally with Mr Suzuki's office and is likely to be acceptable to all concerned on the Japanese side. The intention is that the available time should be split roughly equally between political and economic matters. It seems to us that these four broad headings offer opportunities to cover all the points the Prime Minister would wish to get across; one might quibble at details (for example some aspects of UK-Japan economic relations, particularly trade, fall within European Community competence and are hence not purely bilateral matters), but points of this kind can be made in the discussions themselves.

This agenda would operate only as a general guide and the two Prime Ministers would of course manage the discussion as they saw fit. Nevertheless I should be grateful for confirmation that it is acceptable to you.

Yours ever

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Thank you for your letter of 13 September. As I told you on the telephone today, the Prime Minister accepts the agenda which has been negotiated with the Japanese.

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