

PRIME MINISTER

MEETING WITH JOE CLARK, 12 DECEMBER

He comes tomorrow at 0900 hrs for a courtesy call following his detailed talks with Geoffrey Howe today.

He will have the Canadian High Commissioner (Mr. Jamieson) and the Political Director (Mr. de Montigny Marchand). Lady Young and Derek Day will attend. I suggest the White Drawing Room.

The briefing provided is tailored to the Foreign Secretary's meeting and not to yours. I suggest that you ask him how the new Government is settled in, look forward to Mr. Mulroney's visit next May, pick up his commitment to developing Anglo/Canadian relations and ask what practical steps he and Geoffrey Howe were able to identify to this end, and tell him about your forthcoming meetings with Gorbachev, Deng and Reagan. If time you might give him a resume of your views on arms control on which the Canadians in the past have been wobbly.

He may raise the payment of British pensions in Canada. Briefing at Flag A. The problem is that we don't pay increases: we can't afford it.

Card attached.

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1. Glad Mr. Mulroney able to come in May.
2. Invite him to speak on policies and prospects of new Canadian Government.
3. Welcome commitment to look for ways to strengthen Anglo-Canadian relations. What progress in talks with Geoffrey Howe?
4. Tell him of talks with Gorbachev, Deng and Reagan.
5. Review prospects for progress on arms control.