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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Prime Minister

Would you like to see Herr Schmidt, probably on 10 June (a Friday)?
Yes
no
A. & C. 15/3

Dear Idm,

Herr Helmut Schmidt

Herr Schmidt is to receive an Honorary Degree at Cambridge University on 9 June (he was awarded an Honorary Degree at Oxford in 1979). At the time of Herr Schmidt's resignation last October (your letter of 1 October refers) the Prime Minister said she would always make time to see Herr Schmidt privately when he was in London. The Prime Minister subsequently saw Herr Schmidt for an hour on 25 November (your letter of 15 November refers).

If the Prime Minister would like to see Herr Schmidt when he comes to Britain in June for his Honorary Degree, we will find out more about his plans. I should be grateful if you could let me know what time (possibly on 8 or 10 June) might be convenient for the Prime Minister.

Yes

Yours ever
John Holmes

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