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From the Private Secretary

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WORLD ECONOMIC SUMMIT

I attach a letter from the Assistant General Secretary of the Trades Union Congress asking whether the Prime Minister will receive an international trade union delegation prior to the Summit. I should be grateful for advice and a draft reply, to reach this office by Thursday, 19 January.

I am sending copies of this minute to John Kerr (HM Treasury), Roger Bone (Foreign and Commonwealth Office) and Barnaby Shaw (Department of Employment).

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Dear Mr Butler

World Economic Summit

As you will know, it has been the practice for some years for the head of government hosting the world economic summit to receive an international trade union delegation prior to the summit. As part of this series of meetings a delegation met President Reagan immediately prior to the Williamsburg summit last year.

I am writing to ask whether such an arrangement could be made in connection with the meeting to be held in London later this year. I would of course be glad to discuss the possibilities informally at this stage if you would find that helpful.

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Yours sincerely

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