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ECONOMIC SUMMIT

The Chancellor has seen Peter Ricketts' letter of 18 January reporting the Foreign Secretary's suggestion that they might meet with the Prime Minister to discuss Summit preparations rather earlier than is now proposed.

The Chancellor supports the Foreign Secretary's suggestion, and considers that the right time for such a meeting might be following the second meeting of Personal Representatives, planned for 18-19 February.

Copies of this letter go to Peter Ricketts (FCO) and Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

John Kerr

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Principal Private Secretary

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Bf for 23 March meeting pr.

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Mr. Hyder.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

We had better do X. London SW1A 2AH

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arranged for 10.00 on March 23rd  
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Dear John,

Economic Summit

We understand that the Prime Minister will be having regular meetings with Sir Robert Armstrong to discuss preparations for the Economic Summit and that provision has been made for a meeting involving the Chancellor and Sir Geoffrey Howe on 4 May.

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Sir Geoffrey believes that it would be useful for the Chancellor and himself to have an earlier opportunity to make an input into the preparations. A meeting on 4 May would come after the April meeting of Personal Representatives which will discuss the basic thematic paper for the Summit. The Foreign and Finance Ministers will spend the bulk of the working time at the Summit itself in their respective groups, and will need to work out sensible agendas. Sir Geoffrey therefore wonders whether the Prime Minister could arrange an earlier meeting involving the Chancellor (if he so wished) and him in advance of the April Personal Representatives meeting.

I am copying this letter to John Kerr (Treasury) and Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

Peter Ricketts

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