



10 DOWNING STREET

*From the Private Secretary*

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

Economic Summit 1984: Commercial Sponsorship

Thank you for your minute of 19 January and the attached paper containing suggestions for the use of commercial sponsorship for the Economic Summit in June.

As you know, the Prime Minister asked me to establish what we had done in this respect on the occasion of the last Summit. Mr. Hatfield told me that there had been no commercial sponsorship on that occasion.

The Prime Minister has now expressed the view that commercial sponsorship is acceptable provided that it is on a basis of either loans of equipment or provision of equipment at cost price. You will wish to consider how this affects the various proposals in the paper annexed to your minute.

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