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*From the Private Secretary*

17 September 1984

Dear Len,

SIR JULIAN BULLARD'S MEETING WITH CHANCELLOR KOHL

I see from BMG telegram number 440 that Sir Julian Bullard has an appointment to call on Chancellor Kohl on 18 September and has asked whether he can say that he is speaking with the Prime Minister's authority in making some general remarks on Anglo-German relations.

The Prime Minister is content for Sir Julian to speak with her authority. She would wish him to stress the importance of exercise Lionheart as demonstrating how much the United Kingdom does for the Federal Republic in the field of defence. She would also like him to bring home to Chancellor Kohl the great importance of completing the Stuttgart process as soon as possible, by settling all the outstanding financial issues as a package.

Subject to what happens at the Foreign Affairs Council, Sir Julian might say that the Prime Minister remains very appreciative of Chancellor Kohl's great personal contribution to dealing with the Community's financial problems through the discussions launched at the Stuttgart European Council, and his particular help over solving the problem of our Budget contribution at the Fontainebleau Council. She believes that there is now an opportunity to settle all the outstanding problems. She understands that the Presidency have made a proposal on the introduction of new own resources which she hopes very much the Chancellor can accept. She knows that the Chancellor shares her desire to see arrangements to ensure effective Budgetary discipline. She hopes that agreement can be reached very rapidly on a Council decision to give effect to this.

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I am copying this letter to David Peretz (HM Treasury),  
Richard Mottram (Ministry of Defence) and David Williamson  
(Cabinet Office).

*Yours sincerely,  
Charles Powell*

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TO IMMEDIATE F C O

TELEGRAM NUMBER 440 OF 15 SEPTEMBER

INFO IMMEDIATE BONN, UKREP BRUSSELS

FROM HM AMBASSADOR



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*Ps/M. Adams*

*M. Deleu Thomas*

*M. Sauer*

*M. Kowalski*

*CDP*

*(Mr agreed) ad.*

*Prime Minister  
Agree that  
Sir J. Bullard  
can speak in your  
name.*

1. I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT TO CALL ON CHANCELLOR KOHL IN BONN *17/9* AT 1700 HOURS LOCAL TIME ON TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER. AT THIS FIRST CALL I PLAN TO SPEAK ABOUT THE BREADTH AND DEPTH OF THE ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONSHIP, QUOTING CURRENT EXAMPLES (EXERCISE LIONHEART WHICH YOU AND GENSCHER WILL BE VISITING ON THE FOLLOWING DAY, THE BRITISH COUNCIL'S QUARTER CENTURY IN THE FRG ETC) AND EMPHASISING MY HOPE TO SEE IT BOTH STRENGTHENED AND MORE WIDELY ACKNOWLEDGED. I WOULD HOPE THAT THIS MIGHT PROMPT KOHL TO SAY SOME WARM THINGS IN REPLY, IN THE HEARING OF HIS OFFICIALS.
2. IT WOULD GREATLY INCREASE THE EFFECT OF MY WORDS IF I COULD SAY THAT I WAS SPEAKING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S AUTHORITY AS WELL AS YOUR OWN.
3. THIS WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADD ANY PARTICULAR MESSAGES ON CURRENT BUSINESS. THE OBVIOUS AREA IS THE COMMUNITY, WHERE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ME BOTH TO BE RIGHT UP TO DATE ABOUT THE VARIOUS MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND ALSO TO KNOW WHAT LINE TO TAKE IF KOHL REVERTS TO THE QUESTION OF EX-PRESIDENT CARSTENS AND THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS.
4. GRATEFUL FOR INSTRUCTIONS. I LEAVE BERLIN AT NOON LOCAL TIME ON 18 SEPTEMBER TO RETURN TO BONN.
5. FOR COMMUNICATIONS DEPT: PLEASE ADVANCE COPY TO NO. 10.

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