



10 DOWNING STREET

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From the Private Secretary

Prime Minister

Dinner for Herr Kohl

You agreed the attached list,
adding Antony Adand & Herr Kaindl.

As it has come out, there are now
very few German speakers: only Herr
Kaindl, Professor Carr & me. There will of
course be interpreters present, so it may
not matter.

Content to leave it as it is?

or
Prefer to substitute Julian Bullard
for Carla, & Nicko Henderson
for Mrs. Williamson?

C D P

PRIME MINISTER

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Chancellor Kohl's Visit

Two further points on this:

(i) Kohl does not wish to bring Genscher and won't unless you include Sir Geoffrey Howe. Can we plan on the assumption of no Foreign Ministers? *Yes*

(ii) I think it would be all right to have Sir Geoffrey Howe for the dinner even if Herr Genscher was not there. The guest list for dinner would then read:-

1. Chancellor Kohl
2. Herr Rufhus
3. Herr Teltschik
4. Herr Neuer
5. Prime Minister
6. Mr Thatcher
- (7. Mr Rifkind)
- (8. Mrs Rifkind)
9. Mr Williamson
10. Mrs Williamson
11. Mr Powell
12. Mrs Powell
13. German Ambassador
14. German Ambassador's wife
15. *Sir Antony Acland*
15. ~~Sir Julian Bullard~~
16. ~~Lady Bullard~~
16. *Herr Kaindl*
17. Professor Carr
18. Mrs Carr
19. Lord Carrington } *Julian Lady.*
20. Lady Carrington }
21. Sir Geoffrey Howe
22. Lady Howe.

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Yes
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Agree?

C.D.P.

PRIME MINISTER

CHANCELLOR KOHL'S VISIT TO CHEQUERS

He is coming to Chequers on 18/19 May for a discussion on the future of the European Community. Decisions are needed on:

- (a) participation in the meeting
- (b) guest list for dinner.

Participation

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Kohl's office confirm that he will be accompanied by ² Rufhus and ³⁺ two officials from the Chancellery, but is not intending to bring Genscher. (There are signs, however, that Genscher and the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary are joining forces to get themselves in.)

Kohl's office also say that he emphatically does not want the German Ambassador in London to be present. This would mean that you would have to omit Julian Bullard.

Agree that our team should be Malcolm Rifkind, David Williamson and me? ^{MT 5/6 Jordan 6 (8 Jordanians)}

Dinner

Mrs. Kohl will not be accompanying the Chancellor. Including wives would nonetheless make for a lighter occasion after a pretty heavy diet of Kohl: but that would put pressure on numbers. Twenty-two is the maximum on the long table: but you could add more if it was made a buffet, up to thirty-six I think.

/As to the

1 dont like a buffet for dinner

dont come.

9-10

11-12

- Provided Geoffrey & Hans-Dietrich

(1)

As to the guest list, I assume you will want to invite the participants. I think that you would also have to invite the German Ambassador and Julian Bullard*. Other candidates would be the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, Professor Laqueur* (Director of the Institute of Contemporary History), Nicko Henderson* (as a former Ambassador in Bonn), Denis Healey*, John Gummer, Professor Raymond Carr* (St. Antony's is the centre for German studies in the UK), Lord Carrington (if in the UK). Those marked with an asterisk speak German.

If you wanted to select in addition one or two more MPs, the following are German speakers:

Mrs. Lynda Chalker
John Butcher
Tom Normanton
Hugh Dykes
Sir Brandon Rhys Williams

from the Government Benches and Geoffrey Robinson from the Labour Benches.

If you wanted to widen it further others who might be included, some with a German connection or German speaking, are:

The Prince and Princess Michael of Kent
Lord and Lady Gowrie
Lord Chancellor
A. J. P. Taylor
The Defence Secretary and Mrs. Heseltine
Professor Michael Howard
The Hon. William Waldegrave (given Kohl's environmental interest).

(I have deliberately not included the Trevor-Ropers: after the business about the Hitler diaries, I think it is probably best not to).

/So:

*If the Houses
of Commons
are coming
we must drop
the Carrs.*

So:

(a) agree to include wives/husbands?

OR

(b) prefer men only?

(c) agree names above (please tick)?

(d) agree black tie?

C.D.P.

CHARLES POWELL

17 April 1985



→ Mr. Powell
✓ (No. 10)

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PRIME MINISTER'S DINNER FOR CHANCELLOR KOHL,
18 MAY

German-Speaking MP's

Conservative

Mrs Lynda Chalker

John Butcher

Tom Normanton

Hugh Dykes

Sir Brandon Rhys Williams

Labour

Rt Hon Denis Healey

Geoffrey Robinson