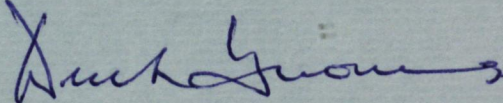


Private Secretary

TOKYO ECONOMIC SUMMIT: TERRORISM

1. Sir Sydney Giffard took action yesterday on our revised draft statement on terrorism with Mr Yanai, Japanese Deputy Foreign Minister. I saw Mr Yanai this morning. He told me that there had been no reaction yet from Mr Nakasone but Mr Abe had grave reservations about our suggestion. There would be no time at the Summit itself to negotiate a new draft. The Heads of Government themselves could not undertake a drafting exercise. If a drafting group was set up and found difficulty in reaching agreement on a new text, the press would quickly pick this up. The story would be disunity rather than unity. Mr Yanai recognised that our draft had retained a good deal of the earlier one. But it was clear from our discussion that the six point package of measures raised difficulties of substance for the Japanese, as well as problems of procedure at the Summit.
2. Mr Yanai told me that he had already fended off a last minute American request for a specific reference to Libya and for more specific operational provisions, using the same arguments as he had used with me. The Americans had graciously withdrawn on condition that clear agreement should be reached between the Heads of Government on further work to be done by experts. He hoped very much that we would also agree not to press our proposed revised draft statement.
3. I said that the Secretary of State would wish to discuss this with Mr Abe himself. He and the Prime Minister felt very strongly that the existing draft statement fell short of what was required. We agreed that it was important for the Summit to establish what further work should be done by experts. But we attached importance to agreeing also on a package of measures so that the outside world could see evidence of the determination of the Summit Seven countries to deal seriously with this problem.
4. I submit a line to take for the Secretary of State's meeting with Mr Abe which takes account of a subsequent conversation with the US Political Director, who had already heard of our initiative from the Japanese.

3 May 1986


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cc: PS/No 10
Sir R Armstrong
Mr Ingham
Mr Meyer



TOKYO ECONOMIC SUMMIT: BILATERAL WITH MR ABE: TERRORISM
SUPPLEMENTARY LINE TO TAKE
TO BE READ ALONGSIDE BRIEF NO 11, REVISED 2

1. Understand you are not happy with our revised draft statement.

2. Agree on need for unity:

- no wish to provoke long debate;

- accept no time for lengthy drafting session if our
proposal gives rise to difficulties of substance.

3. Measures listed in our draft in practice in force in all
our countries:

- only commitment is to implement them fully within our
jurisdictions and work in international bodies to get
broad acceptance by others;

- also attach importance to clear mandate for experts:
must avoid previous confusion.

4. [Procedure]

- Prime Minister will wish to develop her ideas;

- suggest this be done at dinner this evening;

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- if response positive, might it not be possible for Political Directors to tidy any difficulties in brief drafting session?

[If Abe insists on sticking to existing draft statement]

- Possible fall-back would be to invite group of appropriate representatives to meet, in addition to experts meetings, to look urgently at the set of measures we have proposed as essential elements for a strategy to fight terrorism, with a view to reaching agreement and recommending them to individual Heads of Government for endorsement after the Summit.

5. (Mandate for groups of experts)

- Understand that French now agree to extend 1978 Bonn Declaration to all aspects of civil aviation;
- presume therefore agreement could be reached on early meeting of experts to discuss how to take that forward;
- understand French could also now participate in informal meeting of experts on security and police questions;
- would be content if conclusion of Heads of Government discussion was for early meeting of both above groups;

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- (These meetings would be in addition to meeting of appropriate experts to agree six point package of measures.)