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*From the Private Secretary*

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CHOGM: PARLIAMENTARY STATEMENT

The Business Managers are likely to confirm that the Prime Minister will have to make a statement to the House on the outcome of CHOGM. This is despite the fact that the Foreign Secretary will be speaking in the South Africa debate. The statement will be next Monday.

It would be helpful to have a draft by Friday this week, to put in the Prime Minister's weekend box. It should deal principally with South Africa but briefly also with the other items discussed. It need not be long, particularly since by next Monday CHOGM will be well in the past and the Foreign Secretary will already have spoken on the South Africa aspect.

I should be grateful if you could commission a draft and supplementaries.

I am copying this minute to Sir Antony Acland.

C.D.P.

Charles Powell

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