

PRIME MINISTER

MAIN EVENTS

HM The Queen opens Queen Elizabeth II International Conference Centre, London; later attends annual dinner of the Third Guards Club to mark the sesquicentenary of its foundation

Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions annual meeting, Llandudno (to June 26)

EC Agriculture Council, Luxembourg (to June 25)

Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) annual conference, Bournemouth (to June 26)

Institute of Trading Standards Administration annual conference, Torquay (to June 26)

National Association of Maternal and Child Welfare annual conference, London (to June 26)

STATISTICS

MAFF: Food Facts (1st-qtr)

PUBLICATIONS

HOC: 3rd Report of the Committee on Public Accounts (11.00)

PARLIAMENT

Commons

Questions: Employment; Social Services; Prime Minister

Business: 10 Minute Rule Bill: Famine Relief in Africa (Mr A Kirkwood)

Estimates Day (2nd allotted day):

Debate relating to special employment measures and the long-term unemployed and the Manpower Services Commission Corporate Plan 1986-1990...

Debate on estimates relating to the Department of the Environment and the Property Services Agency

Commonwealth Development Corporation Bill (Lords):
Remaining Stages

Land Registration Bill (Lords): Remaining Stages

PARLIAMENT (Cont'd)Adjournment Debate

The plans to bridge the Dornoch Firth (Mr R MacLennan)

Select Committees: SELECT COMMITTEE IN THE CHANNEL TUNNEL BILL
Subject: Petitions of Kent County Council and Kent District Council

Committee on a Private Bill
Pontypridd Market Fairs and Town Hall

Lords Safety at Sea Bill: Third Reading
Health Service Joint Consultative Committees (Access to Information) Bill: Third Reading
Children and Young Persons (Amendment) Bill: Report
Consumer Safety (Amendment) Bill: Committee
Wages Bill: Committee (1st Day)
Representation of the People Regulations 1986) Motions for
Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations) Approval
1986
Representaion of the People (Northern Ireland)
Regulations 1986
Disabled Persons (Services, Consultation and Representation) Bill

MINISTERS - See Annex

SOUTH AFRICAPRESS DIGEST

- Some newspapers try to play up Tambo meeting as U-turn; expectations you will have to give ground on fruit and vegetable imports in The Hague.
- Tambo tells London audience UK is shirking its responsibilities.
- Newsweek journalist expelled from South Africa.
- Terry Waite returns from South Africa saying sanctions are the only way to make regime negotiate.
- Denis Healey flies to South Africa for week's visit.
- D/Star: Geoffrey Howe ready to start most important mission of his life; Tambo calls on Britain to join Commonwealth in demand for sanctions.
- Sun says you will yield to sanctions pressure. Terry Dicks MP, on meeting with Tambo, says you might as well talk to the IRA.
- Today: Howe and Lawson force a U-turn over South Africa.
- Mirror says N.U. Seamen has blocked coal imports from South Africa.
- Express: Lynda Chalker will today impress on Tambo need for suspension of violence by ANC.
- Mail: Britain sent a clear signal to South Africa yesterday that change is inevitable and Botha must start talking in earnest about ending apartheid by agreeing to meet Tambo. South Africa plans to beat any airlines ban by leasing jumbos so that they can be flown under colours of neighbouring black states.
- Telegraph feature by Professor Norman Stone says sanctions have never yet succeeded in altering the domestic policies of any Government and since necessity is the mother of invention they may in the short run make Government even more efficient.
- Times: The Government's decision to arrange a meeting between Chalker and Oliver Tambo is seen as an easing in the Government's position. Indications are that Government will reluctantly go ahead with economic measures agreed by the EEC; leader says that if Sir Geoffrey Howe goes to South Africa his intervention should not be seen as no more than a delaying tactic.
- FT: The decision to meet Tambo signals an important change in the Government's stance; Government confusion over the impact of sanctions was indicated last night when Alan Clark, Minister for Trade, said that estimates of the number of jobs involved in trade with South Africa were not available. Previously, officials had indicated that about 120,000 jobs could be affected.
- Guardian: Thatcher sees Tambo face saver - you are insisting it is not part of a U-turn; only Guardian makes much of Kinnock letter claiming to show other countries doing more on sanctions.

BRIGHTON BOMBERS

- Patrick Magee gets 35 years - eight life sentences for murder and recommendation of minimum term of 35 years. His accomplices get life.
 - Norman Tebbit says he's glad they have been locked up to prevent them committing further crimes.
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- Brothers jailed for 17 and 14 years in Dublin for Guinness kidnap.

INDUSTRY

- Bedford Trucks to make 1700 redundant at Luton and Dunstable. Ford to take on 150 to produce more Sierras.
- Kenneth Clarke says Government is trying to boost jobs for coloureds in Handsworth - a contractor is to hire local labour for development scheme. Norman Strauss today to call for conscription to help inner cities.
- Les Huckfield MEP claims holiday beaches in North West have radiation levels four times that of Bikini nuclear test atoll.
- Devonport wins £7m Britannia refit after workers offer no strike agreement and flexible working practices.
- Vacancies for good graduates have risen 5% and employment prospects for students best for a decade.
- Telegraph says engineering employers are moving to cut working week by 1½ hours to 37.
- Senior executives from 24 leading companies yesterday launched the Government-backed Movement for International Trade to increase British exports.
- BT is to enter the personal computer market.
- Britain's share of the world arms market increased from 7% in 1984 to 9% last year.
- An incoming Labour Government should immediately take action to influence companies it intends to renationalise, a party report suggests (FT).

UNIONS

- Scargill asks TUC to bail out NUM which lost £35m, according to Sun, on strike; Sun leader says the union is in a desperate plight. But why on earth should other unions fork out? Under its present leadership the NUM doesn't deserve a penny. Mail says TUC rejected request for £0.5m.
- Trade union membership down to its lowest level since 1970 - down 274,000 to 9,580,000.
- Telegraph says the Government has gone seriously wrong in handling unions on only one occasion - GCHQ, and criticises financial penalties imposed on those who joined a union after taking £1000.
- Civil Service union leaders believe the Government is pulling back from the threat of further disciplinary action against GCHQ staff (FT).
- Guardian says a Labour Government would pass a law forcing unions to hold pre-strike ballots and regular secret ballots for executive members.

MEDIA

- D/Star describes DPP as Director of Piffling Prosecutions for taking its chief reporter and photographer to court for taking champagne out to a pirate radio ship to expose £1000-a-day waste by DTI in blockading ship.
- Eric Hammond, EETPU, flying to USA this week for talks with Murdoch on Wapping; Today says Ministers want an end to the mass picketing.

TRANSPORT

- 13 killed in M4 early morning crash; van should not have been carrying passengers. Inquiry into safety of crash barriers.
- Lead free petrol goes on sale for first time in Britain today.
- People Express, reportedly in cash trouble, says it is discussing sale of either part or whole of company.
- Bonus idea for police and vehicle inspections to combat road fund tax dodging.

LAMB

- Scare is virtually over.
- Express says housewives are following your lead (lamb at the weekend) by ordering lamb. Trade says there isn't a problem.

TAX AND PUBLIC SPENDING

- Today leader headed "Don't cut taxes - create jobs" says tax cuts can lead to higher unemployment, rundown public services, rumbling public disquiet and deepening unpopularity for the Government. Public mood in favour of tax cuts has shifted and you should respond.
- Norman Strauss, a member of John Hoskyn's team during your first year of office, will speak today about a possible method of combining tax cuts with increased public spending. It is based on the issuing of "community bonds".
- Council spending is accelerating fast in spite of government efforts to hold it down, says the Association of County Councils (Times).
- Guardian leader calls for end to tax concessions on mortgages, shares and private pensions, lower agricultural subsidies or to borrow more to finance health, education, and housing spending.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Week-long festival for gays and lesbians in Hackney described by Conservative opposition as "a week of shame and sin" - "a disgrace" ratepayers' money is being used to pay for it.
- Brent's director of Education leaves after trouble over council's 'positive discrimination' policy for key posts.
- Times: Government plans to make the poor and unemployed pay rates were left in tatters last night after a serious defeat in the House of Lords on the Social Security Bill.

POLITICS

- Hugo Young, in Guardian, suggests 'we must at all costs keep Labour out' is Tories' only message for next election. New Strategy Group will have nothing else to say.

HEALTH/WELFARE

- WHO says up to 10m have AIDS virus and 100,000 have the disease.
- BMA chairman says NHS is in danger of falling apart and patients must scream to force the Government to spend more money.
- Another NHS knocking piece in Mirror says doctors at Charing Cross hospital were told yesterday they could not have £9000 for a vital piece of kidney equipment.
- Mail feature says no one would deny NHS is in its greatest crisis but the way to end it is not by throwing public money at it but by ensuring value for money via competition.
- 'Climbdown' by Government means 70,000 married women who earn less than £12 a week will be able to claim disabled caring allowance of £23 (Telegraph).

LAW AND ORDER

- Home Secretary launches a Met booklet offering practical advice to women on avoiding muggers and rapists.
- 10 companies to offer cut price insurance to those who fit burglar alarms at their homes.
- But Today says no home security advice will keep out a determined thief who is likely to regard an alarm system as a test of his art; nosy neighbours and Home Watch schemes are the biggest deterrent.
- Cecil Franks MP calls for urgent statement from Home Secretary on Stalker affair in Manchester; Stalker to hold press conference tomorrow to announce what action he proposes to take.

SPORT

- England out of World Cup (with newspapers still fuming over Maradona's hand goal); England lose second Test to India; and Barry McGuigan loses his world featherweight boxing title.
- Bookies William Hill handing back money to those who bet on England World Cup draw in disgust at Maradona's cheating.
- Today quotes our Ambassador in Mexico as saying he has nothing but admiration for our fans for their self control in the face of severe Argentinian provocation.

NORTHERN IRELAND

- Police end Unionist Assembly sit-in.

PEOPLE

- Nigel Stock, actor, dies.

MALAYSIA

- Lots of coverage of visit to prison by mother of Briton under sentence of death for drug smuggling.

SPAIN

- Basque terrorists' front party makes spectacular gains in general election increasing MPs from 1 to 5. Express leader says Kinnock could learn a lot from Gonzalez's good sense and balanced judgment.

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES ETC)

DOE: Mr Ridley and Sir George Young attend opening of Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre; Mr Ridley opens Tobacco Dock, Wapping

WO: Mr Edwards visits CABX HQ, London

HMT: Mr Lawson addresses West Midlands Area Conservative Board of Finance

MAFF: Lord Belstead attends Sir Antony Acland farewell reception, Lancaster House

MOD: Mr Lee visits Strike Command; meets Sudanese COS; presents Anglo-American Community Relations Awards

DES: Mr Walden makes closing speech at FEU/MSC Joint Conference on open learning

DEM: Mr Lang attends Women's Gas Federation Conference, London; presents BAC Safety Awards, Institute of Civil Engineers, London

DOE: Mr Patten visits Hyndburn and Blackburn

DHSS: Mr Hayhoe addresses MENCAP Conference, London

DHSS: Mr Newton attends the National Osteoporosis Society Conference, London

HO: Mr Waddington addresses Women's National Commission Plenary Session

HO: Mr Shaw addresses AMA seminar for new joint police authority members; visits Croydon crime prevention project

OAL: Mr Luce visits museums in Oxfordshire

DTI: Mr Clark attends British Importers Confederation lunch, London

DTI: Mr Pattie opens Datron Instruments new facility, Norwich

DTI: Mr Butcher in Cardiff for BOTB bicentenary;

DTI: Lord Lucas speaks at Hampshire Technology Centre Conference

DTI: Mr Morrison visits Vickers Aldershot

DTP: Mr Bottomley opens Ely to Littleport bypass

MINISTERS (OVERSEAS VISITS)

MAFF: Mr Jopling attends EC Agricultural Council, Luxembourg

DTI: Mr Channon visits FRG

MAFF: Mr Gummer addresses Hans Siedel Foundation Conference, Munich; later attends EC Agriculture Council, Luxembourg

FCO: Mr Renton departs for Manila (to June 28)

DTI: Mr Howard visits Brussels, meets Commissioner Varfis

TV AND RADIO

"File on 4"; BBC Radio 4 (19.20): South Africa

"Moneyspinner"; Channel 4 (20.30): includes advice on starting up in business
