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From the Private Secretary

✓ CPS Mr Broadbent  
Mr Newman Mr Fairweather  
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Mr Clapham-Smith was  
18 June 1985

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Grateful if you would  
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Dear Colin,

EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN MILAN: BILATERAL WITH SIGNOR CRAXI

Signor Craxi's office have been in touch with me several times in the last few days to try to arrange a time for a bilateral with the Prime Minister before the Milan European Council. In the event Signor Craxi decided for domestic political reasons he could not travel to London between now and the European Council. It has therefore been agreed that the bilateral will take place in Milan immediately before the beginning of the European Council itself. To allow reasonable time for this, the Prime Minister has agreed to travel to Milan on the evening of Thursday 27 June. Because of her commitments here, she will not be able to leave Heathrow earlier than 2100 hours. This will get us fairly late to Milan which will be inconvenient for the Italian authorities: but it is all to be helpful to them. I should be grateful if the necessary arrangements could be made.

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I should add that Badini made clear that Craxi would want to see the Prime Minister alone with only notetakers present.

M. Reind  
M. Fairweather  
M/F 20/6

Yours sincerely  
Charles Powell

Meeting was being set up for  
0915 on 28 June.

Colin Budd, Esq,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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TELEGRAM NUMBER 309 OF 19 JUNE  
EUROPEAN COUNCIL, MILAN: BILATERAL WITH CRAXI:  
1. GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD CONFIRM TO CRAXI'S OFFICE THAT THE  
PRIME MINISTER ACCEPTS GRATEFULLY HIS OFFER OF A MEETING AT  
09.15 ON 28 JUNE.  
2. THE PRIME MINSITER WOULD PREFER THE MEETING TO BE IN THE  
HOTEL RATHER THAN THE CASTLE.

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