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I attach a letter to the Prime Minister from Lloyd Turner of Today. It was discussed briefly at the meeting of officials which the Prime Minister chaired on the Gulf crisis on 21 August. It was noted that the pool facilities extended to British journalists over the last week to visit our forces in the Gulf resulted in good publicity. No further such visits were planned at present. The Prime Minister expressed her continuing reservations about being too generous with facilities for the press, in the light of experience during the Falklands campaign. But you may want to give further consideration to this and submit a draft reply.

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