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From the Private Secretary

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BURDEN-SHARING IN THE GULF

I had a discussion with the Japanese Ambassador this morning about the American proposals on burden-sharing in the Gulf, and particularly the aspect of financial assistance to countries like Egypt and Turkey. I said we naturally hoped that the Japanese Government would make a very substantial contribution. The Japanese Ambassador said that it would be very helpful if the Chancellor were to make this point very strongly when he saw the Japanese Finance Minister tomorrow. I am sure he intended to anyway.

I am copying this letter to Richard Gozney (Foreign and Commonwealth Office) and to Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

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