PRIME MINISTER c.c. Mrs. Ponsonby GULF CRISIS: EMBARGO SURVEILLANCE UNIT The Embargo Surveillance Unit is an inter-Departmental group which is tracing and then following up every piece of evidence of sanctions breaches. It is not very glamorous, but absolutely essential, work. They do it from the Department of Transport although they do not report directly to the Transport Secretary. Cecil Parkinson has asked me whether you would be able to find 20 minutes to visit them at some point to encourage them in their work. This would be a nice gesture if you could squeeze it into your programme in the next week or so. Agree? C. D. POWELL 16 October 1990

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