

PRIME MINISTER

VISIT OF PRESIDENT DE KLERK

President De Klerk is coming in May. You have invited him to Chequers. We are now beginning to get more detail about his arrangements. It would be helpful to settle the outline of his programme.

De Klerk will arrive in London on the morning of Friday 18 May and will stay through most of Saturday 19 May. You have invited him down to Chequers for talks and lunch on the Saturday. He is accompanied by his wife, by Pik Botha and his wife, and by two senior officials.

The questions are:

- whether to concentrate all the programme on a single day at Chequers: or to spread it over two days;
- what sort of entertainment to arrange.

Programme

The simple version would be to have talks at Chequers at 1100 on Saturday, followed by lunch at 1230 for 1300. There is much to commend this, not least in terms of saving you time.

The alternative would be to have the main talks at No.10 on the Friday morning (you are in Finchley from lunch-time): and a brief further session at Chequers just before lunch on Saturday. But I don't really see much to be gained by this: the cachet for De Klerk is Chequers.

Entertainment

You suggested that you would like to get in some major business figures and potential investors in South Africa for the lunch, and Robin Renwick strongly favours this. Among the guests he has

recommended are:

- ✓ Derek Birkin - Chief Executive of RTZ  
(or Sir Alistair Frame)
- ✓ Lord Weinstock - GEC
- ✓ Sir Peter Holmes - Shell
- ✓ Robert Horton - BP
- ✓ Michael Angus - Unilever
- ✓ Arthur Walsh - STC
- ✓ Sir Ralph Robins - Rolls-Royce
- ✓ Sir Michael Colman - Reckitt & Colman
- ✓ Sir Denys Henderson - ICI
- ✓ Mr. Roger Kingdom - Davy Corporation
- ✓ Simon Jenkins - The Times (he knows South Africa well)

If we are to score a reasonable number of these, we would need to get invitations out soon. Equally, if you add in a number of our Ministers, the South African delegation, Sir Robin Renwick etc., you considerably exceed the capacity of the Chequers dining room. Would you be prepared to do lunch at round tables in the dining room or in the Great Hall? That would enable you to invite 30 or 40?

*Yes - it will have to be a buffet lunch.*

In summary:

- agree restricted participation talks at Chequers from 1100 - 1230 on the Saturday? *Yes*
- agree lunch for 30/40 at round tables? *Yes*
- agree to invite the businessmen suggested in this note?

*e.d.p.*  
(CHARLES POWELL)

*Yes*

2 April 1990

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10 DOWNING STREET  
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From the Private Secretary

3 April 1990

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a Sir PC  
Mrs Goodchild.

Dear Steve,

VISIT OF PRESIDENT DE KLERK

I have had some discussion with the Prime Minister about the programme for President De Klerk's visit.

The Prime Minister has confirmed that she would like to hold talks with President De Klerk from 1100 to 1230 on Saturday 19 May at Chequers. She would prefer these to have restricted participation, that is just President De Klerk and a notetaker. Other members of the South African delegation might then come for the lunch.

The Prime Minister would propose to make this larger than usual at Chequers, by putting in a number of round tables. This would mean the lunch itself would have to be a buffet. I should be grateful if you could let me have a draft guest list. But you should be aware that the Prime Minister has already indicated that she would wish to invite the following:

- Derek Birkin - Chief Executive of RTZ  
(or Sir Alistair Frame)
- Lord Weinstock - GEC
- Sir Peter Holmes - Shell
- Robert Horton - BP
- Michael Angus - Unilever
- Arthur Walsh - STC
- Sir Ralph Robins - Rolls Royce
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- Simon Jenkins - The Times

C. D. POWELL

J. S. Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

9 April 1990

Dear Charles,

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at. Tyre to PM's  
appt. ~~to~~

Visit of President de Klerk

Thank you for your letter of 3 April. I enclose a guest list for the Chequers lunch on 19 May.

Patrick Fairweather will be with the Foreign Secretary for his talks with Pik Botha and Mr Hurd very much hopes that he can be included in the lunch.

Yours,  
Stephen Wall

(J S Wall)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
10 Downing Street



LUNCH IN HONOUR OF STATE PRESIDENT F W DE KLERK, DMS, CHEQUERS, 19 MAY 1990

*Lord Henderson Long Wave*

Prime Minister and Mr Thatcher		
Hon F W de Klerk DMS and Mrs de Klerk	State President, Republic of South Africa	
Rt Hon Douglas Hurd CBE and Mrs Hurd	Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs	
Mr R F Botha DMS, MP and Mrs Botha	Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of South Africa	
<i>Mr &amp; Mrs Nick Ridley.</i> Hon William Waldegrave and Mrs Waldegrave	Minister of State, FCO	
Sir Robin Renwick KCMG	HM Ambassador, Cape Town	
HE Mr P R Killen and Mrs Killen	South African Ambassador	
Mr C D Powell and Mrs Powell	Private Secretary to the Prime Minister	
Dr Johannes Roux	Secretary General, State President's Office	
Dr Neil van Heerden <i>He &amp; Mrs John May</i>	Director General, South African Department of Foreign Affairs	
Sir Alistair Frame and Lady Frame	Chairman, RTZ plc	(Prime Minister's request)
Sir Peter Holmes MC and Lady Holmes	Chairman, Shell Group	( " " " )
Mr Robert Horton and Mrs Horton	Chairman, BP	( " " " )
Sir Denys Henderson and Lady Henderson	Chairman, ICI	( " " " )
Sir Michael Angus and Lady Angus	Chairman, Unilever	( " " " )
Sir Ralph Robins and Lady Robins	Chairman, Rolls Royce	( " " " )
Mr Simon Jenkins and Mrs Jenkins	Editor, The Times	( " " " )

*Dr. Bruce Anderson - Lady Pellon.*

Lord Weinstock of Bowden and Lady Weinstock	Managing Director, GEC	( " " " )
Mr Arthur Walsh CBE and Mrs Walsh	Chief Executive, STC	( " " " )
Sir Michael Colman and Lady Colman	Chairman, Reckitt & Colman	( " " " )
Mr Roger Kingdom and Mrs Kingdom	Chairman, Davy Corporation	( " " " )
Mr Raymond Horrocks CBE and Mrs Horrocks	Chairman, Chloride Group	(Large investor in S Africa)

~~Mr Max Hastings and Mrs Hastings~~ Editor, The Daily Telegraph (Newspaper sympathetic to HMG's policy and supportive of Mr. de Klerk)

*Sir David Leahy English.*

( Mr Patrick Fairweather CMG and Mrs Fairweather )

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Reviews.

Reserves

Mr Johathan Agnew and Mrs Agnew	Group Chief Executive, Kleinwort Benson	(Substantial business involvement with South Africa)
Sir Adrian Cadbury and Lady Cadbury	Chairman, Cadbury plc	(Large investor in S Africa)
Sir Peter Baxendell and Lady Baxendell	Chairman, Hawkes Siddley Group plc	(Large investments in and business with South Africa)
Lord Barber PC TD DL and Lady Barber		(Member of the 1986 Common- wealth Eminent Persons Group)
Lord Alexander of Weedon QC and Lady Alexander	Chairman, National Westminster Bank	(Leading UK bank in last re-scheduling of S Africa's debt, October 1989)
Sir John Quinton and Lady Quinton	Chairman, Barclay's Bank	(Former large investor in South Africa, still a leading correspondence bank)
Mr and Mrs Andreas Whittam Smith	Editor	The Independent



Reservist

Mr. Jonathan Agnew and Mrs. Agnew

Group Chief Executive  
Kleinwort's Bank

Sir Adrian Cadbury and Lady Cadbury

Chairman, Cadbury

Peter Benschultz and Lady Benschultz

Chairman, Hawkes

Group Ltd

Lord Barber PC QC DL and Lady Barber

Alexander of Weston QC and Lady  
Alexander

Chairman, National  
Westminster Bank

Lord John Gifford and Lady Gifford

Chairman, Barclays  
Bank

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MRS. PONSONBY

VISIT OF PRESIDENT DE KLERK

De Klerk has now asked to revert to earlier plans and come to Chequers on 19 May. Is this still possible?

If so, I presume it would in theory free the weekend 7/8 April for a meeting with President Bush if we needed a fallback.

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CHARLES POWELL

28 FEBRUARY 1990

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FM CAPE TOWN

TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELNO 238

OF 271600Z MARCH 90

DE KLERK' VISIT TO BRITAIN

1. VAN HEERDEN HAS TOLD ME THAT MRS DE KLERK WILL ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT TO EUROPE IN MAY. DE KLERK ALSO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY P. H. BOTHA AND HIS WIFE, DR ROUX (SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PRESIDENCY) AND VAN HEERDEN (DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS).
2. VAN HEERDEN SAID THAT ON PRESENT PLANS DE KLERK WOULD ARRIVE IN LONDON ON THE MORNING OF FRIDAY 18 MAY IN TIME TO SPEND A WORKING DAY THERE BEFORE THE MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AT CHEQUERS ON THE 19TH. HE HOPED TO MEET SOME LEADING INDUSTRIALISTS AND EDITORS AND PROBABLY ALSO WOULD DO SOME TELEVISION INTERVIEWS. THE SOUTH AFRICANS WOULD BE CAREFUL ABOUT PUBLICISING HIS PROGRAMME AS THEY DID NOT WANT TO ATTRACT HARRASMENT FROM THE ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT. DE KLERK WOULD OFFER ALSO TO MEET THE OPPOSITION PARTY LEADERS, PROVIDED THERE WAS NO OBJECTION. HE SAID THAT HE WAS SURE THERE WOULD NOT BE.
3. VAN HEERDEN ASKED IF WE COULD LET HIM KNOW THE TIMING OF THE MEETING AT CHEQUERS AND WHETHER THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD WANT TO HAVE A PRIVATE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, PERHAPS WITH A NOTE-TAKER ON EACH SIDE, BEFORE ANY WIDER MEETING. HE SAID THAT HE WAS SURE THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD WISH TO OFFER MR AND MRS DE KLERK LUNCH. VAN HEERDEN ASKED IF WE COULD LET HIM KNOW WHO WOULD BE INVITED, IF IT WERE INTENDED TO INVITE GUESTS BEYOND THE OFFICIAL PARTY.
4. HE REALISE THAT SPACE WILL BE VERY LIMITED AT CHEQUERS. SUGGESTIONS FOR POSSIBLE GUESTS AT THE LUNCH WOULD INCLUDE SIMON JENKINS, EDITOR OF THE TIMES, WHO KNOWS SOUTH AFRICA WELL: MR DEREK BIRKIN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF RTZ (OR SIR ALAUNSTAIR FRAME): LORD WEINSTOCK: SIR PETER HOLMES: MR ROBERT HORTON (BP) OR SIR MICHAEL ANGUS. MR ARTHUR WALSH, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF STC, HIS LEADING THE BIDDING FOR THE £150 MILLION CONTRACT WHICH WE HOPE TO WIN FOR THE SUBMARINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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CABLE, SO IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF HE COULD BE INCLUDED. IN CASE RESERVES ARE NEEDED, OTHER HEADS OF COMPANIES WITH SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS HERE INCLUDE SIR RALPH ROBINS (ROLLS ROYCE): SIR MICHAEL COLMAN (RECKITT AND COLMAN): SIR DENYS HENDERSON (HCL) AND MR ROGER KINGDOM (DAVY CORPORATION).

5. ALTHOUGH DE KLERK'S PRESENT INTENTION IS TO SPEND 18 AS WELL AS 19 MAY IN BRITAIN HE HAD RECEIVED INVITATIONS TO VISIT PARIS, BONN, BRUSSELS, LISBON, ROME AND POSSIBLE ALSO MADRID, SO HIS PLANS FOR 18 MAY COULD CHANGE.

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*From the Private Secretary*

26 April 1990

Thank you for your letter of 24 April about the visit to Chequers. To take your points in order:

- (i) I am afraid that we cannot accommodate all the names which you suggest at the lunch. We have already included the State President and Mrs. de Klerk, the Foreign Minister and Mrs. Botha, the Ambassador and Mrs. Killen, Dr. Roux and Dr. van Heerden. The maximum which we could even consider is two more individuals. This could either be Mrs. Roux and Mrs. van Heerden: or Mr. Crewe-Browne and Mr. Steward.
- (ii) I enclose a copy of the guest list as it stands.
- (iii) you should discuss with the FCO. But we can only have those attending the lunch: there are no facilities at Chequers to look after anyone else.
- (iv) please ask the FCO about the Foreign Secretary. I know of no plans for wives to exchange gifts.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Mr. Justus de Goede

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24 April 1990

Mr Charles Powell  
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister  
10 Downing Street  
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*Dear Charles,*

Further to our telephone conversations on the subject of the Chequers visit of the State President on 19 May, I should like your views on the following points:

- (i) The core party from the South African side will be the State President, Mrs de Klerk, Minister RF Botha and Mrs Botha, plus of course Ambassador and Mrs Killen. The two senior civil servants are the Director-General of Foreign Affairs, Mr NP Heerden and Dr JP Roux, Secretary-General in the Office of the State President. Both will be accompanied by their wives. The Chief of Protocol, Mr L Crewe-Browne and his wife will also be included in the visit. I should like to request that the van Heerdens, Rouxs and Crewe-Brownes be included in the luncheon, if this is possible. May I also request that Mr VRW Steward, who is Chief Director for Europe in the Department be included, should space allow? The other ladies would like to be included in any programme arranged for Mrs de Klerk for the period before the luncheon.
- (ii) You indicated earlier that we might make some input as far as guests for the luncheon are concerned. I enclose a list, which will certainly contain names already appearing on your own guest list. Ambassador Killen indicated that you might be kind enough to provide us with a final guest list.

- (iii) It is my understanding that Minister Botha will be holding parallel talks with the Foreign Secretary while the President is holding discussions with Mrs Thatcher. Should this be the case, I assume that Mr van Heerden and other senior members of the Department of Foreign Affairs will be able to attend the former discussions.
- (iv) We have already established that the Prime Minister will be presenting a gift to President de Klerk. Could I enquire whether the Foreign Secretary will be doing the same and whether it is the intention for any of the wives to exchange gifts?

*Sincerely,*

*Justus*  
Justus de Goede  
MINISTER

CHEQUERS: LUNCHEON, 19 MAY 1990

John Carlisle, MP : Chairman, UK/South African Parliamentary Group

Sir James Spicer, MP

Lord Marsh : Chairman, British Industry Committee on South Africa

Sir Keith Stuart : Chairman, United Kingdom - South Africa Trade Association

Bernard Weatherill : Speaker, House of Commons

Lord Chalfont : Deputy Chairman of the IBA; Chairman, Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering

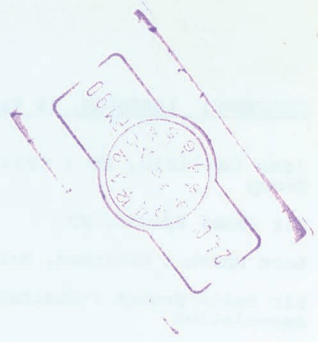
The Rt Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP : Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

Robin Leigh-Pemberton : Governor, Bank of England

Sir Trevor Holdsworth : President, Confederation of British Industry



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LIST OF GUESTS ATTENDING THE BUFFET LUNCHEON TO BE GIVEN BY THE  
PRIME MINISTER AND MR. DENIS THATCHER IN HONOUR OF THE STATE  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA AND MRS. DE KLERK ON  
SATURDAY, 19 MAY 1990 AT CHEQUERS AT 12.30 PM FOR 1.00 PM

The Prime Minister  
and Mr. Denis Thatcher

#### South African Suite

The Hon. F.W. de Klerk  
and Mrs. de Klerk

State President

Mr. R.F. Botha  
and Mrs. Botha

Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency the Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa  
and Mrs. Killen

Dr. Johannes Roux

Secretary General, State  
President's Office

Dr. Neil van Heerden

Director General, South African  
Department of Foreign Affairs

#### HM Government

Rt. Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP  
and Lady Howe

Rt. Hon. Douglas Hurd, MP  
and Mrs. Hurd

Rt. Hon. Cecil Parkinson, MP  
and Mrs. Parkinson

#### Conservative MPs

Rt. Hon. Julian Amery, MP

#### Industry

Sir Alistair Frame  
and Lady Frame

Chairman, RTZ plc

Mr. Robert Horton  
and Mrs. Horton

Chairman, British Petroleum

Sir Denys Henderson  
and Lady Henderson

Chairman, ICI

Sir Michael Angus  
and Lady Angus

Chairman, Unilever

Sir Ralph Robins  
and Lady Robins

Managing Director, Rolls Royce plc

The Lord Weinstock  
and The Lady Weinstock

Managing Director, GEC

Mr. Arthur Walsh  
and Mrs. Walsh

Chief Executive, STC

**Industry (continued)**

Sir Michael Colman and Lady Colman	Chairman, Reckitt & Colman
Mr. Roger Kingdon and Mrs. Kingdon	Chairman, Davy Corporation
Sir Peter Baxendell and Lady Baxendell	Chairman, Hawker Siddeley plc.

**Media**

Mr. Rupert Murdoch and Mrs. Murdoch	
Mr. Bruce Anderson	Sunday Telegraph
Sir David English and Lady English	Editor, Daily Mail
Mr. John Birt	BBC
<b>Officials</b>	
Sir Robin Renwick	HM Ambassador, Cape Town
<b>10 Downing Street</b>	
Mr. Charles Powell and Mrs. Powell	