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From the Private Secretary

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Dear Hugh.

PRESIDENT GORBACHEV: POSSIBLE STATE VISIT

The Foreign Secretary had a word with the Prime Minister this evening about the possibility of inviting President Gorbachev to pay a State Visit in 1991. The Prime Minister's instinctive reaction - with which the Foreign Secretary agreed - was that this was too risky. It was agreed to put the proposal aside for the time being.

Yours sincerely,

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