



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

7 January 1990

*Sir Charles,*

Gulf: Briefing the Opposition

The Foreign Secretary has asked me to say that he is quite strongly in favour of the Prime Minister seeing Mr Kinnock again after his return from the Middle East. He himself will be seeing Mr Kaufman this week, as part of the effort to keep the Opposition on board for as long as possible - you may have seen increasing wobbliness, reflected for example in Mr Kaufman's article in The Guardian today, 7 January.

You might also like to know that Mr Baker, the US Secretary of State, was seeing Mr Kinnock this afternoon after his talks with the Foreign Secretary.

*Yours ever,*

*Richard Gozney*  
(R H T Gozney)  
Private Secretary

Sir Charles Powell KCMG  
10 Downing Street