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From the Private Secretary

20 October 1982

ARAB LEAGUE DELEGATION

Thank you for your letter of 19 October. On the assumption that the delegation does not include a PLO representative, the Prime Minister will be glad:

- (a) to receive King Hassan at 1145 on 8 November;
- (b) to have a plenary session with the delegation at 1215 Mrs. Thatcher would be grateful if the Foreign Secretary could attend this;
- (c) to give lunch for the delegation at 1300 hours.

I should be grateful if you could provide as soon as possible a draft guest list for a lunch of 48 people.

With regard to your penultimate paragraph, you should know that on 18 October, at a dinner given by the German Ambassador, I was asked by the Moroccan Ambassador whether a PLO representative could be part of the Arab League Delegation. I told him that there was no question of a PLO representative being received at No. 10 and that it would be best not to make such a proposal.

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FCO has now continued that King Hassan will be coming to see the PM at 11.45 man. on 8 November.

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