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Visit to London by the Arab League Delegation

Mr. Pym's advice on the next steps is attached.

He wishes to instruct our Ambassador in Rabat to and its discuss with the Moroccans the composition of the delegation. Our Ambassador would offer three options:

a) The delegation would include a prominent Palestinian, but not a member of the PLO - in which case you would receive the whole delegation.

- b) A PLO representative would come but would only call on Mr. Hurd or, if they preferred, a PLO representative would come with a representative of the Arab League <u>before</u> the main delegation and be received by Mr. Hurd.
- c) King Hassan might come alone or accompanied only by the Arab League Secretary General.

If we do not offer Option 2, the Arabs may regard this as a retreat from our earlier position - when Mr. Hurd saw Qaddumi.

These three options are set out in the attached telegram of instruction. Are you content that it should be sent?

The second question for decision is the actual programme for the delegation, to which the Moroccans took some exception last time round. May we offer on either Monday 31 January or Tuesday 1 February:

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- a) A guard of honour.
- b) A tête-à-tête between you and King Hassan (one hour).
- c) A plenary meeting with the delegation.
- d) A dinner for the whole delegation.

I am afraid that this will take up a lot of your time, But it matches the treatment they have received elsewhere and we may get into difficulties with the Moroccans again if we do not do as much. Agree to this programme?

A. J. C .

21 December 1982

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