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From the Principal Private Secretary

13 June 1988

Des Radrie,

I attach a copy of a message from Sylvia Ostry which the Canadian High Commission sent me on Saturday, together with a copy of my reply.

Sylvia told me on the telephone that her message had been prompted by the Americans. Apparently, David Mulford had returned to Washington in a high state of anxiety following Jacques Atali's interventions at the final Sherpa meeting. Mulford had interpreted those remarks to signify that the French would be insisting that the Economic Declaration, and the Leaders' discussion leading up to it, would include a fair number of references to the social justice, fairness and all that. Mulford, and Sylvia suggested that he was supported by Secretary Baker, feared that the Dukakis camp would seize on such remarks to argue that the world was now turning against the sort of economic policies which President Reagan had espoused and towards the policies favoured by Governor Dukakis.

I told Sylvia that I thought that Mulford was overreacting to Atali's interventions and that whatever the state
of the United States Presidential campaign, there would be
many Leaders at the Summit who would argue strongly to
maintain the approach hitherto adopted. Sylvia said that this
was her understanding too. But the Americans were pressing
for an early discussion among the Sherpas to try to flush out
the French. I said that I would welcome, in any event, an
earlier discussion of the draft of the Economic Declaration
than that planned.

I am sending a copy of this letter and enclosure to Geoffrey Littler (HM Treasury) and Tom Richardson (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

N. L. WICKS

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Sir Rodric Braithwaite, K.C.M.G. Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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PLEASE COULD YOU ARRANGE TO HAVE THE MESSAGE IN MIFT PASSED TO DR. SYLVIA OSTRY, THE CANADIAN SUMMIT SHERPA. COULD OTHER RECIPIENTS PASS COPIES TO THE SUMMIT SHERPAS IN THEIR CAPITALS

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MESSAGE AS FOLLOWS:

'THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEGRAM WHICH I RECEIVED TODAY.

I AGREE WITH YOUR VERY STRONG PREFERENCE THAT THE SHERPAS SHOULD NOT REVIEW, YET AGAIN, THE THEMATIC PAPER, BUT SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT A FURTHER REVIEW OF THE THEMATIC PAPER WOULD SIMPLY CREATE CONFUSION AND WASTE OUR TIME. THE THEMATIC PAPER IS ALREADY DRAFTED AND THERE IS NOTHING TO BE GAINED FROM REVIEWING IT YET AGAIN.

I LAND IN TORONTO AT 1525 (YOUR TIME) ON SATURDAY 18 JUNE, SO I WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR DISCUSSION LATE AFTERNOON/DINNER THAT EVENING OR AT BREAKFAST THE FOLLOWING DAY, SUNDAY 19 JUNE.

I AM SENDING A COPY OF THIS MESSAGE TO SHERPA COLLEAGUES.

YOURS SINCERELY, NIGEL WICKS'

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	19	required for	the Economic	Declaration, could	I ask that it should				
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11 June

M. Wicks

Herewith a self-explanatory message from Sylvia Ostry.

2 suggest you contact her or John Paynter directly or Mr Touglor at 935-2476 over the weekend or Monday at 629-9492.

Will greet you on arrival June 18.

Glen Bailey With the Compliments

of the Commercial/Economic Division

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Haut-Commissariat du Canada 1 Grosvenor Square London, W1X 0AB Tel: 01-629 9492 Canadian High Commission

QUOTE SOME OF OUR COLLEAGUES HAVE SUGGESTED TO ME, AND I THINK IT IS A GOOD IDEA. THAT WE TRY TO ARRANGE A MTG OF SHERPAS IN TRNTO BEFORE THE 19JUN OPENING OF SUMMIT TO REVIEW EITHER THEMATIC PAPER OR DRAFT COMMUNIQUE.MY OWN VERY STRONG PREFERENCE WOULD BE THE LATTER, BUT I CAN UNDERSTAND SENSITIVITIES ON THIS SUBJ. PARA. ONE OPTION WOULD BE SAT 18JUN IN THE AFTERNOON BEGINNING WITH LUNCH. LESS DESIRABLE, BECAUSE OF THE FATIGUING SCHEDULE FACING US ALL. WOULD BE SAT EVENING BEGINNING WITH DINNER. LATEST POSSIBLE TIME WOULD BE SUN 19JUN IN THE MORNING BEGINNING WITH BREAKFAST AND FNDING AROUND MID-DAY BEFORE THE FIRST SUMMIT SESSION CONVENES AT 1500 HOURS. THIS WOULD BE FEASIBLE AS SHERPAS ARE NOT/NOT INVOLVED IN THE OFFICIAL WELCOMING CEREMONIES. PARA. OBVIOUSLY, AS TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. IT IS VITAL I HAVE YOUR VIEWS BY MON MORNING 13JUN OR, PREFERABLY, EARLIER, SINCE OUR AMBASSADOR ((HIGH COMMISSIONER) WILL BE SEEKING CONTACT YOU OVER THE WEEKEND. YOURS SINCERELY. SYLVIA OSTRY. UNQUOTE.

2.PLEASE PHONE ANY FORMAL ANSWERS OR EARLY REACTIONS TO EED OR EER WHO WILL BE WORKING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS OVER WEEKEND. FEY OFFICERS CAN ALSO BE REACHED AT HOME AS FOLLOWS:

PAINTER-OFFICE:922-7825/922-7825; #04E:748-6298/748-6098:

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