



10 DOWNING STREET

PRIME MINISTER

THIS EVENING'S TALKS

I have briefed the Press with Nick Fenn at 2pm and stood them down until this evening.

I shall of course be under very heavy pressure after this evening's talks and I would appreciate two kinds of help:

- if possible, a short on the record quote agreed by Ministers; Mr Pym particularly will be pressed on leaving; and
- your personal guidance immediately after the meeting and before I brief the press again; we are coming to the crunch and I now need to take your mind on the major questions that can be anticipated.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'B. Ingham'.

B Ingham
24.4.82