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From the Principal Private Secretary

15 June 1982

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You wrote to John Coles on 14 June 1982 about the Prime Minister's visit to the UN Special Session on Disarmament.

The Prime Minister is perfectly content to call on the President of the General Assembly whenever her visit takes place. But in view of all the uncertainty about when she will go to New York, she feels that there is no point in trying to arrange a meeting with the Foreign Minister of Nigeria. She sees no reason why she should see General Ershad of Bangladesh in New York, as she will have met him in London later today.

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Francis Richards Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY 10.45 FOR THE FIRST SPEAKER, THE VICE PRESIDENT OF CUBA.

MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS (MY TEL NO 56).

- 2. IT HAS NOT PROVED POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE FOR PRESS FACILITIES ON THE TARMAC WHEN THE PRIME MINISTER ARRIVES. PARA 2 OF TELEGRAM UNDER REFERENCE IS THEREFORE REDUNDANT.
- 3. WHEN HE ACCEPTED OUR OFFER OF A 30-MINUTE INTERVIEW WITH THE PRIME MINISTER ON 16 JUNE THE FOREIGN EDITOR OF THE NEW YORK TIMES AT FIRST AGREED THAT THE INTERVIEW WOULD BE CONDUCTED BY ANOTHER SENIOR CORRESPONDENT, PROBABLY BERNARD GWERTZMAN, CHIEF STATE DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENT, AS WELL AS BERNARD NOSSITER, UN CORRESPONDENT. WE ENCOURAGED THIS AND STRESSED OUR HOPE THAT THE INTERVIEW WOULD RANGE BEYOND UN AND DISARMAMENT TOPICS.
- 4. THE NEW YORK TIMES HAVE NOW COME BACK TO US TO SAY THAT NOSSITER ALONE WILL CONDUCT THE INTERVIEW. THIS IS A PITY BECAUSE SOME OF NOSSITER'S REPORTING ON THE FALKLANDS' NEGOTIATIONS AT THE UN HAS BEEN INACCURATE AND UNHELPFUL TO BRITAIN AND HE IS UNSYMPATH-ETIC TO OUR NORTHERN IRELAND POLICIES. HOWEVER HE IS AN EXPERIENCED AND DISTINGUISHED CORRESPONDENT WITH AS DEEP A KNOWLEDGE OF

AND DISTINGUISHED CORRESPONDENT WITH AS DEEP A KNOWLEDGE OF BRITISH AFFAIRS AS ANYONE FROM HIS TIME AS WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT IN LONDON (1971-79). 5. WE CAN HARDLY OBJECT TO THE TIMES' OWN CHOICE OF INTERVIEWER THOUGH WE HAVE, AS INSTRUCTED, ALREADY WARNED THE FOREIGN EDITOR THAT THERE IS A RISK THAT THE INTERVIEW MAY HAVE TO BE DROPPED BECAUSE OF PRESSURE OF TIME. I ASSUME THAT YOU WOULD STILL LIKE THE INTERVIEW TO GO AHEAD IF POSSIBLE. BILATERALS. 6. THE BANGLADESH MISSION ARE CONTINUING TO PRESS FOR A BRIEF MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND GENERAL ERSHAD SOME TIME ON THE AFTERNOON OF 16 JUNE, IN ADDITION TO HIS PLANNED CALL ON THE PRIME MINISTER ON 15 JUNE IN LONDON. THERE HAVE BEEN NO OTHER REQUESTS FOR BILATERALS. SPEAKERS' LIST FOR 16 JUNE. 7. THE SPEAKERS' LIST FOR THE DAY OF 16 JUNE IS NOW AS FOLLOWS: TURKEY (FM). KAMPUCHEA, MONGOLIA (FM), IAEA.

MORNING: CUBA (V. PRESIDENT), CZECHOSLOVAKIA (FM), SPĂIN, CAMEROON

AFTERNOON: UK, NEPAL, SENEGAL (FM), NICARAGUA, SURINAME, DEMOCRATIC 8. SEE MIFT.

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