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*From the Private Secretary*

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British EC Commissioners

The Prime Minister and the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary discussed this briefly this afternoon. They agreed that Sir Geoffrey Howe should telephone Delors to give him advance notice of our proposed nominations. This might be done latish on Monday 10 September.

The Prime Minister made clear that she will wish to announce the appointments next week in the terms that "X and Y will be the British Government's nominees" for membership of the new Commission of the European Communities.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

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