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3 May 1990

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*Drop it - the
Bank is -
complicated*

Prime Minister

Dear Charles

*Do you want to
pursue with the invitation
to Lubbers? Or
drop it?*

Informal Talks with Dutch Prime Minister: 1 June

Thank you for your letter of 29 April recording that at the special European Council on 28 April the Prime Minister was unable to ask Mr Lubbers to informal talks at Chequers on Friday 1 June. The case for holding such a meeting to advance our EC and NATO interests (Bob Peirce's letter of 11 April) remain strong. Would you want us to ask the Embassy in The Hague to put the invitation to Mr Lubbers?

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it?
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Yours ever

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From the Private Secretary

4 May 1990

Dear Richard,

INFORMAL TALKS WITH DUTCH PRIME MINISTER

Thank you for your letter of 3 May about the invitation to Mr. Lubbers. The Prime Minister has decided to suspend this for the time being.

Yours sincerely,

C.D. POWELL

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From the Private Secretary

27 April 1990

Possible Visit by the Prime Minister of the Netherlands

I have had a word with the Prime Minister about your proposal in your letter of 11 April that she should invite Mr. Lubbers to come over here for informal talks. She will of course be seeing Mr. Lubbers tomorrow in Dublin and is intending then to ask if he might like to come to Chequers on Friday 1 June.

There is no need to give the Dutch any advance warning of this (not least in case she changes her mind!).

CHARLES POWELL

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Friday 1st June

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Ria Kirstin

11 April 1990

Agree that we should
try to get Mr. Lubbers over here
(or you over here) for half a day
before the June European Council!
if possible
res.
no
CAB
11/4

Possible Visit by Prime Minister of the Netherlands

Thank you for your letter of 21 March about the Prime Minister's talks with Mr Lubbers. We have consulted the Ambassador in The Hague about whether Mr Lubbers might have been fishing for an invitation to London. Sir Michael Jenkins believes that he was not doing so, and that Mr Lubbers wanted to sound out our current views on the EBRD issues.

We think it would be all to the good if the Prime Minister were able to snatch a meeting with Mr Lubbers on the morning of 28 April (but bearing in mind that there is a Benelux meeting at 8.00 am and Council starts at 10.30 am). More important, however, is a meeting shortly before the 25 June European Council. This would be an opportunity to go over the main issues, ie Community aspects of unification, EMU, and the question of Community institutions. It could also usefully cover security questions in anticipation of the NATO Summit. The Dutch are potentially useful allies of ours on these issues, within which a number of new proposals, some of them unattractive to us, will be examined; and Mr Lubbers would benefit from hearing a detailed account of the Prime Minister's views.

I am copying this letter to John Gieve (HM Treasury), Martin Stanley (Department of Trade and Industry), Simon Webb (Ministry of Defence) and Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever

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