



10 DOWNING STREET

Mr. Hughes

Is this all
right?

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Mr Power

No, I hope you won't
send this. We took the
view that after the Toronto
press conference and the
Ottawa speech we should
leave it at that. It
only opens up opportunities
& late the gift of things
aj 2/6

Mr Powell, No 10



With the compliments of

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

Charles

To be aware. Several
loose ends which we want
to tie up - then we'll write.
No need for you to react yet.

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MY TELNOS 338 AND 343: PROGRAMME FOR PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO OTTAWA

SUMMARY

1. THE GOVERNMENT HAVE HAD TO REJIG THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROGRAMME TO MEET OBJECTIONS BY THE HOUSE MANAGERS ON THE TIMING OF HER SPEECH, ABOUT WHICH THEY HAD NOT BEEN CONSULTED BEFORE THE VISIT WAS ANNOUNCED. SUGGESTIONS FOR REVISED PROGRAMME.

DETAIL

2. DEA CONFIRMED ON 31 MAY THAT THE MANAGERS OF PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS HAD OBJECTED TO THE TIMING PROPOSED (3PM) FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S ADDRESS TO BOTH HOUSES. ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT REAGAN HAD ADDRESSED PARLIAMENT AT THIS TIME, THE NORMAL PRACTICE WAS FOR VISITORS TO DELIVER THEIR ADDRESSES AT 11 AM, THUS ALLOWING QUESTION PERIOD TO TAKE PLACE AT 2.15PM AS USUAL. IT WAS EXPLAINED TO US THAT, WITH THE END OF THE SESSION APPROACHING, THE OPPOSITION PARTIES WERE LESS WILLING THAN USUAL TO ACCOMODATE THE GOVERNMENT'S WISHES. BUT OUR INTERLOCUTORS ALSO ADMITTED THAT THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM WAS THE OFFENCE TAKEN AT THE GOVERNMENT'S FAILURE TO CONSULT THE BUSINESS MANAGERS BEFORE THE ANNOUNCING PUBLICLY THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD ADDRESS BOTH HOUSES.

3. WE HAVE NOW DISCUSSED WITH DEA HOW BEST TO REORGANISE THE PROGRAMME. WHAT FOLLOWS IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE CANADIANS, BUT WE HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD NEED TO BE CONSULTED BEFORE WE COULD GO FIRM.

4. SUGGESTED REVISED PROGRAMME IS AS FOLLOWS:
0950 ETA UPLANDS AIRPORT, OTTAWA (SEE NOTE A)
1010 DEPART UPLANDS AFTER ARRIVAL CEREMONY
1030 ETA PARLIAMENT BUILDING (SEE NOTE B)
1100 ADDRESS PARLIAMENT
1230 TETE A TETE WITH MR MULRONEY (SEE NOTE C)
1300 LUNCH AT 24 SUSSEX DRIVE
1430 (APPROX) ARRIVE 7 RIDEAU GATE
1500 LAY WREATH AT WAR MEMORIAL
1520 CALL ON GOVERNOR GENERAL

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1600 RECEIVE MR TURNER AT 7 RIDEAU GATE
1620 RECEIVE MR BROADBENT
1700 POSSIBLE VISIT TO NATIONAL GALLERY (SEE NOTE D)
1800 LEAVE FOR UPLANDS AIRPORT
1820 DEPART OTTAWA

NOTES

A. WE CALCULATE THAT THIS REQUIRES DEPARTURE FROM THE HOTEL AT TORONTO AT 0800.

B. ON ARRIVAL AT THE PARLIAMENT BUILDING, THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BE GREETED BY THE SPEAKERS OF THE TWO HOUSES, SIGN THE VISITORS BOOK ETC. THIS WILL TAKE A LITTLE UNDER 10 MINUTES. SO THERE IS 20 MINUTES AVAILABLE BEFORE THE PRIME MINISTER ENTERS THE CHAMBER TO DELIVER HER ADDRESS. IF THIS TIME IS NOT NEEDED EITHER FOR PREPARATION OR FOR SIGNING CEREMONIES (PARA 5 BELOW), IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR THE ARRIVAL AT UPLANDS BE DELAYED BY SAY 15 MINUTES.

C. THE CANADIANS ENVISAGE THAT THE TETE A TETE WITH MR MULRONEY WILL NOW TAKE PLACE AT 24 SUSSEX DRIVE, WITH DEPARTURE FROM THE PARLIAMENT BUILDING AT ABOUT 1215 AND NO INTERMEDIATE STOP AT 7 RIDEAU GATE.

D. WE HAVE TAKEN THE 1820 DEPARTURE AS A FIXED POINT. THE SUGGESTED VISIT TO THE NEW NATIONAL GALLERY IS OF COURSE ENTIRELY OPTIONAL. THE PRIME MINISTER MAY PREFER TO WORK AT 7 RIDEAU GATE. BUT THIS COULD LEAD TO CRITICISM FROM THE MEDIA WHO ARE ALREADY SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED THAT NO PRESS CONFERENCE IS ENVISAGED.

5. IN THE LIGHT OF THE 19 MAY EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEN THE PRIVATE SECRETARY AND NO 10 WE ARE EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF SIGNATURE OF THE AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE TREATY ON DRUG TRAFFICKING PROCEEDS. PREVIOUSLY WE HAD REFRAINED FROM DOING MORE THAN FLOAT THESE IDEAS WITH THE OFFICIALS DEALING WITH THE TWO AGREEMENTS.

6. GRATEFUL INSTRUCTIONS.

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