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From the Private Secretary

8 June 1988

**ECONOMIC SUMMIT:
POSSIBLE MEETING WITH THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO**

Thank you for your letter of 8 June. I should be grateful if you would indeed send a telegram to Ottawa asking our High Commissioner to explain that the Prime Minister much regrets that she will not on this occasion be able to meet Mr. Peterson.

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Dear Charles,

Economic Summit: Possible Meeting with the Premier of Ontario

Thank you for your letter of 1 June ^{Step} setting out your reservations about a possible meeting between the Prime Minister and the Premier of Ontario while she is in Toronto.

We share your views. As you point out, the Prime Minister has exceptionally received Mr Peterson in London; and the local sensitivities likely to be aroused outweigh any possible benefits which may result from such a meeting. In any case, the Prime Minister and Peterson will meet during the Summit at the Hollinger dinner on 21 June.

We therefore recommend that the Prime Minister declines to meet Mr Peterson on the grounds that she is already heavily committed to other engagements which cannot be re-scheduled. If you agree, we will send a telegram to Ottawa conveying this and asking Toronto to pass the Prime Minister's regrets to Premier Peterson.

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