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PRIME MINISTER

actually dated 26 Feb.

I attach a diary for next week.

1. Weekend Events:

Saturday

OPEC meeting, Geneva (?)
Falkland Islands talks, New York
GLC considers financial crisis
D'Oyly Carte close

Sunday

You attend Royal College of Music re-enactment, St James's
Palace
Mr Nott on LWT 'Weekend World' on Trident
Dr Boyson's article in 'News of the World' on school discipline
Mr Baker on LBC on information technology

2. Major News Events are likely to include:

EC Budget 1982 (Thursday)
Defence Statement on Reserve Forces and Adventure Training
Scheme (Wednesday ?)
Death Grant consultation document (Friday ?)
Announcement of sport sponsorship agreement between DoE, DHSS
and Tobacco Advisory Council (Tuesday/Wednesday)
PQ on Public Sector references to MMC
Reappointment of Civil Service Arbitrator (Wednesday)
Preliminary Report on Penlee disaster
BR rostering dispute talks
Times Newspapers
NEDC (Wednesday)
Trans-Atlantic air fares increase (Monday)
Your interview with Pete Murray (Friday)
MARECS satellite becomes operational (Monday)
East Croydon train crash (16 January) inquiry (Wednesday)
Belfast South by-election (Thursday)
HM The Queen opens Barbican Arts and Conference Centre
(Wednesday)
EC: Agriculture Council, Brussels (Monday and Tuesday)
EC: Informal Development Council meeting, Brussels (Tuesday)
OECD Ministers of Manpower and Social Affairs meet in Paris
(Wednesday to Friday)

Economic indicators:

Tuesday: UK official reserves (Feb)
Capital issues and redemptions (Feb)

Wednesday: Advance energy statistics (Jan)

Friday: Hire purchase and other instalment credit
business (Jan)
Housing starts and completions (Jan)
House renovations (4th qtr)
Company liquidity survey (4th qtr)

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SATURDAY 27 FEBRUARY 1982

MAIN EVENTS:

OPEC emergency meeting, Geneva?

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D'oyly Carte to close.

.Boat and Caravan Show, Birmingham.

National Stamp Exhibition, London.

3. Pay Negotiations:

Wednesday: Primary and secondary school teachers (England and Wales)
Scottish Further and Higher Education lecturers

Thursday: Electricity supply manuals

Friday: Medical laboratory scientists
Ambulance officers submit claim

4. Ministerial Speeches:

Monday: Mr Heseltine at Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors AGM
Mr Younger at Scottish Prison Governors Annual Conference, Peebles
Mr Fowler, King Edward Hospital Fund Regional Administrators dinner, London

Tuesday: Mr Jenkin gives 'Industry Today' address, St Pauls crypt

Friday: Mr Younger at Institute of Housing Scottish conference, Pitlochry

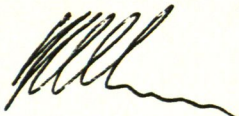
5. TV/Radio:

Monday: ITV 'World in Action': 'Caution to the Wind' - the first US nuclear test, a look back (8.30pm)

Tuesday: IRN: Mr Nott on defence (2.45 pm)

Thursday: BBC1 'Question Time': Lord Gowrie (10.45 pm)
ITV 'TV Eye': Sir Keith Joseph on university cuts (9.30 pm)

Friday: BBC Wales 'Week In, Week Out': Mr Edwards on the rates
Radio Leicester: Mr Luce, phone-in on foreign affairs



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MONDAY 1 MARCH 1982

MAIN EVENTS:

EC: Agriculture Council, Brussels.

UK-USA air fares rise.

West Midlands fares up 70%.

Plaque of Dylan Thomas unveiled, Westminster Abbey.

TV licence anti-evasion campaign, the Midlands.

International Light Show, Olympia.

Hydraulics and Pneumatics Exhibition, Birmingham.

International Electrical Exhibition, Birmingham.

MARECS communications satellite becomes operational.

STATISTICS:

CBI: CBI Monthly Trends Inquiry (Feb).

PARLIAMENT:

Commons:

Questions: Trade, Energy, Wales, Industry, Foreign and Commonwealth (Overseas Development).

Business: Remaining stages of the Travel Concessions (London) Bill.

Motions on the Northern Ireland Orders on Appropriation and Limitation Amendment.

Proceedings on the Agricultural Training Board Bill (Lords) and on the Industrial Training Bill (Lords), which are Consolidation Measures.

SUNDAY 28 FEBRUARY 1982

MAIN EVENTS:

International Light Show, Olympia.

Boat and Caravan Show, Birmingham.

News of the World article by Dr Boyson on Discipline in Schools.

TV/RADIO:

MOD: Mr Nott, LWT 'Weekend World', Trident.

MONDAY 1 MARCH 1982

PARLIAMENT: CONT'D

Select Committees: HOME AFFAIRS: SUB-COMMITTEE ON RACE RELATIONS AND IMMIGRATION. National Health Service treatment of overseas visitors. (Witness: Secretary of State for Social Services.)

ENERGY: Combined Heat and Power.
(Witnesses: District Heating Assoc. Basingstoke and Deanborough Council; Mr L Grainger.)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: Fees paid to Works Consultants.
(Witnesses: Sir Kenneth Stowe, DHSS; Mr Alfred, PSA; Mr Rennie, Scottish Home and Health Dept.; Mr T P Hughes, Welsh Office.)

TREASURY AND CIVIL SERVICE: Supplementary Estimates Class II, Vote 12: Budget of the European Communities. (Witnesses: HMT and FCO officials.)

Lords: Taking of Hostages Bill(HL): Second Reading.

European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (ECSC Decision of 7th December 1981 on Supplementary Revenue) Order 1982: Motion for Approval.

Debate on the 8th Report of the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution on Oil Pollution of the Sea (Cmd. 8358) and the Reports of the ECC on the Action Plan for the Mediterranean and Marine Pollution (30th and 31st Reports).

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC):

DES: Sir Keith Joseph visits the Staff College, Camberley.
 (11.15 am)

DES: Mr Shelton visits Quorn Hall and National Youth Bureau,
 Leicester.

MAFF: Lord Ferrers visits Midland Region (and 2 March).

DOE: Mr Heseltine visits Wakefield for Association of
 Metropolitan Authorities annual seminar.

DOE: Mr Heseltine addresses Royal Institute of Chartered
 Surveyors annual general meeting.

DOE: Sir George Young lunches with Housing Corporation.

DOE: Mr Macfarlane visits Stonehenge.

DOI: Mr Baker makes first 'phone call via the MARECS
 satellite, followed by press conference.

DOI: Mr Lamont visits British Shipbuilders, Vickers, Barrow.

SO: Mr Younger opens Scottish Prison Governors Annual
 Conference, Peebles.

SO: Mr Fletcher visits Glasgow High School.

MONDAY 1 MARCH 1982

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC): CONT'D

SO: Mr Stewart attends Local Government Access (for the disabled) Officers seminar, Glasgow.

DHSS: Mr Fowler addresses Regional Administrators, King Edward Hospital Fund for London dinner, London. (7.30 pm)

HO: Mr Raison visits Brent Community Relations Council. (11.00 am)

D/EM: Mr Tebbit meets Scottish TUC, London.

D/EM: Mr Morrison visits two YOP schemes in Hackney.

MOD: Lord Trenchard lunches with Defence Manufacturers Associati

MAJOR VISITS (INWARD AND OUTWARD):

Shaikh Hisham, Saudi Arabian Minister of Planning, visits the UK (until 3 March).

TUESDAY 2 MARCH 1982

PARLIAMENT:

Commons:

Questions: Employment, Social Services, Education and Science, Defence. (At 3.15 pm Prime Minister)

Business: Supply (14th allotted day): Until about 7 o'clock there will be a debate on the Adverse Effect on the Consumer of the Deliberate Government Policy to Increase Gas Prices by 23%, and afterwards a debate on the Situation in Central America.

Both debates will arise on Opposition Motions.

The Question will be put on all outstanding Votes and Supplementary Estimates.

Select Committee: ENVIRONMENT: Enquiry into methods of financing Local Government in the context of Government's Green Paper (CMND 8449).
(Witnesses: R Jackman, London School of Economics; The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.)

Lords: Departments (N.I.) Order 1982: Motion for Approval.
Appropriation (N.I.) Order 1982: Motion for Approval.
Limitation Amendment (N.I.) Order 1982: Motion for Approval.
Civic Government (Scotland) Bill(HL): Report.

MAIN EVENTS:

EC: Informal Development Council meeting, Brussels.

EC: Agriculture Council, Brussels.

International Light Show, Olympia.

Hydraulics and Pneumatics Exhibition, Birmingham.

International Electrical Exhibition, Birmingham.

Drawing Office Show, Wembley.

International Oceanological Equipment and Services Exhibition,
Brighton.

International Production Engineering and Productivity Exhibition
and Conference, London.

STATISTICS:

HMT: UK official reserves (Feb).

BOE: Capital issues and redemptions (during the month
of February).

PUBLICATIONS:

OPCS: Census 1981 County Monitor - Hereford and Worcester.

HO: Immigration Statistical Bulletin, Fourth Quarter, 1981.

WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH 1982

MAIN EVENTS:

NEDC.

EC: Agriculture Council, Brussels.

HM The Queen opens Barbican Arts and Conference Centre.

HRH The Prince of Wales presents MSC 'Fit for Work' awards, Bridgend

President Mitterrand in Israel.

OECD Ministers of Manpower and Social Affairs meeting, Paris.

Public inquiry into the East Croydon train crash (16 January 1982),
Fairfield Halls, Croydon.

International Light Show, Olympia.

Hydraulics and Pneumatics Exhibition, Birmingham.

International Electrical Exhibition, Birmingham.

Drawing Office Show, Wembley.

International Oceanological Equipment and Services Exhibition,
Brighton.

International Production Engineering and Productivity Exhibition
and Conference, Olympia.

STATISTICS:

D/En: Advance energy statistics (Jan).

PAY:

Primary and Secondary School Teachers, England and Wales (460,000):
Discussions (settlement date 1.4.82).

Scottish Further Education and Higher Education Lecturers (5,200):
consider claim (settlement date 1.4.82).

TUESDAY 2 MARCH 1982

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC):

D/EM: Mr Tebbit meets Thomson Organisation Board of Directors.

SO: Mr Younger and Mr Fletcher meet Scottish Arts Council, London.

DOI: Mr Jenkin gives "Industry Today" address, Crypt St Pauls.

DOI: Mr Baker speaks at Production Engineering and Productivity Exhibition, London.

HO: Mr Raison speaks at Wilton Park Conference on "Breeding Grounds for Violence"; (am)

DHSS: Mr Finsberg opens Cranleigh Day Hospital, Cranleigh, Surrey. (2.00 pm)

MOD: Lord Trenchard attends Unilever Chairman's dinner.

MAJOR VISITS (INWARD AND OUTWARD):

D/EM: Mr Tebbit meets Hon. J B Bolger, New Zealand Minister of Labour.

TV/RADIO:

MOD: Mr Nott, IRN, interview on Defence matters.

DES: Mr Channon, Thames TV, 'Reporting London'. (6.45 pm)

WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH 1982

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC):

MOD: Mr Pattie speaks at Aberdeen University Centre for Defence Studies.

MOD: Lord Trenchard attends Pilkington's reception.

D/En: Mr Mellor visits SEA/CLAM, a wave energy device at Coventry Polytechnic, and makes an Energy Conservation visit to Brush Ltd, Loughborough, and meets the Society of Chemical Industries, London.

D/Tp: Mr Clarke launches 2-part motor-cycle test, Cardington.

D/EM: Mr Tebbit at NEDC.

DOI: Mr Baker speaks to British Institute of Management.

DOI: Mr MacGregor visits PERA, Melton Mowbray.

DOE: Sir George Young pays PSA visit to Portsmouth.

DOT: Mr Rees addresses Scottish Council on Industrial Development, Hamilton.

DHSS: Mr Fowler attends Association of British Pharmaceutical Industries dinner, Cafe Royal, London. (7.45 pm)

DHSS: Mr Finsberg addresses DHSS/NHS/DOI seminar on Public Purchasing, King Edwards Fund Centre. (10.00 am)

MAJOR VISITS (INWARD AND OUTWARD):

French Minister for Consumer Affairs visits UK (and 4 March).

PARLIAMENT:

Commons:

Questions: Foreign and Commonwealth, Foreign and Commonwealth (EEC), Transport, Environment, Scotland.

Business: Further Progress in Committee on the Canada Bill.

Select Committees: DEFENCE: Ministry of Defence organisation and procurement. (Witnesses: Electronic Engineering Association; Mr F E C Gregory and Dr J Simpson, Southampton University.)

SCOTTISH AFFAIRS: Rural Road Passenger Transport and Ferries. (Witnesses: Orkney Islands Council; Shetland Islands Council.)

WELSH AFFAIRS: Water in Wales.
(Witness: Secretary of State for Wales.)

HOME AFFAIRS: Police complaints procedure.
(Witnesses: Scottish Home and Health Department and Procurators Fiscal.)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS: Opticians: Reimbursement of costs.
(Witnesses: Sir Kenneth Stowe, DHSS; Mr Rennie, Scottish Home and Health Department; Mr T P Hughes, Welsh Office.)

SOCIAL SERVICES: Age of retirement.
(Witnesses: National Pensioners Steering Committee; National Federation of Old Age Pensions Association; Help the Aged.)

Lords:

Debate on the deteriorating situation of less developed countries, etc.

U.Q. on the planning permission for development unjustly given by the Beverley District Council on land they had bought next to Beverley Minster.

THURSDAY 4 MARCH 1982

PARLIAMENT:

Commons:

Questions: MAFF, Treasury, Home Office, Northern Ireland.
(At 3.15 pm Prime Minister)

Business: Remaining stages of the Coal Industry Bill.
Motions on the Mineworkers' Pensions Scheme and on
Redundant Mineworkers Concessionary Coal Orders.
Motion on the Report of the Court of Auditors of the
European Community for 1980, and Documents
11456/81 and C344.

Select Committee: AGRICULTURE: Less Favoured Areas.
(Witnesses: National Farmers' Union.)

Lords: Civil Jurisdiction & Judgments Bill (HL): Third
Reading.
Mental Health (Amendment) Bill (HL): Third Reading.
Antiquities Bill (HL): Committee.

MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC):

DOI: Mr Wakeham visits Warren Spring Laboratory, Stevenage.
DOI: Mr Baker speaks at launch of Pergamon Infoline computer.
DES: Mr Waldegrave visits Aberdeen University.
DES: Mr Shelton launches the Devon Science and Technology
Regional Organisation, Plymouth.
D/En: Mr Moore visits Culham Nuclear Power Station.
DOE: Mr Stanley speaks at 1982 Building Industry Convention
BMPs Symposium on "Construction and Changes".
SO: Mr Younger and Lord Mansfield dine at National
Farmers Union dinner, Dunblane.
DHSS: Dr Vaughan attends "Nottingham Rickets Campaign Launch".
(1.00 pm)
MOD: Lord Trenchard visits Ferranti, Edinburgh (and 5 March.
MOD: Mr Pattie visits Hall Russell, Aberdeen.

MAIN EVENTS:

Belfast South by-election.

OECD, Paris.

President Mitterrand in Israel.

FCO Bicentenary lecture by Professor Michael Howard at Chatham House

Liberal Party political broadcast.

International Light Show, Olympia.

Hydraulics and Pneumatics Exhibition, Birmingham.

International Electrical Exhibition, Birmingham.

Drawing Office Show, Wembley.

National Glazing Exhibition, London.

International Oceanological Equipment and Services Exhibition,
Brighton.

International Production Engineering and Productivity Exhibition
and Conference, Olympia.

PUBLICATIONS:

OPCS: Census 1981 County Report - Isle of Wight, Part 1.

HO: Boundary Commission revised recommendations: East Sussex,
Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire and South Yorkshire.

PAY:

Electricity Supply Manuals (94,000): National Joint Board meeting
(settlement date 17.3.82).

FRIDAY 5 MARCH 1982

MAIN EVENTS:

OECD, Paris.

President Mitterrand in Israel.

International Electrical Exhibition, Birmingham.

International Oceanological Equipment and Services Exhibition,
Brighton.

International Production Engineering and Productivity Exhibition
and Conference, Olympia.

National Glazing Exhibition, London.

STATISTICS:

DOT: Hire purchase and other instalment credit business (Jan).

DOE: Housing starts and completions (Jan).

DOE: House renovations (4th qtr).

DOI: Company liquidity survey (4th qtr) (British Business).

PUBLICATIONS:

DOI: British Business - Austin Ambassador launch, Channel
links, BOTB annual report.

PAY:

Medical Laboratory Scientific Officers (16,310): Management
response to claim (settlement date 1.4.82).

Ambulance Officers (3,450): Submit claim (settlement date 1.4.82).

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MAJOR VISITS (INWARD AND OUTWARD):

MOD: Mr Nott meets French Defence Minister (M. Hernu).

D/EM: Mr Tebbit at OECD, Paris.

FCO: Mr Atkins visits Australasia (until 19 March).

TV/RADIO:

NIO: Lord Gowrie, BBC 1, 'Question Time'.

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MINISTERS (UK VISITS, SPEECHES, ETC):

DOI: Mr Jenkin visits Portsmouth Dockyards.

DOI: Mr Baker visits York University and Vickers Instruments, York.

DOI: Mr Wakeham visits Maldon telephone exchange.

D/Tp: Mr Howell visits Hertfordshire County Council.

D/Tp: Mr Clarke chairs the North East Regional Annual Consultative Committee meeting, Harrogate. (10.30 am)

MOD: Mr Blaker addresses British Atlantic Committee Youth Seminar at English Speaking Union.

DES: Mr Shelton visits Adult Education Centre, University of Exeter.

DOE: Sir George Young attends London Housebuilders Federation presentation on low cost homes.

MAFF: Lord Ferrers addresses annual luncheon of Council of Institution of Water Engineers, London.

D/En: Mr Gray visits Cammell Laird shipyard, Liverpool.

SO: Mr Younger addresses Institute of Housing Scottish conference, Pitlochry.

SO: Mr Stewart visits Inverclyde Royal Hospital, and Greenock and Barrhead Health Centres.

DHSS: Mr Rossi visits Family Fund, York.

DHSS: Mrs Chalker visits Hull Local Office.

DHSS: Mrs Chalker visits York Local Office. (2.30 pm)

DHSS: Lord Elton visits Broadmoor Hospital.

D/EM: Mr Waddington attends Springboard '82, Blackpool.

DOT: Mr Rees addresses the Export Guarantees Advisory Council.

MAJOR VISITS (INWARD AND OUTWARD):

D/EM: Mr Tebbit at OECD, Paris.

DOI: Mr Lamont visits Airbus Industrie, Toulouse.

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TV/RADIO:

WO: Mr Edwards, BBC Wales, 'Week In, Week Out', on the rates.