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*My dear Donald,*

ANGLO/FRENCH SUMMIT, 4-5 NOVEMBER

Thank you for your letter of 15 October, which reached me on 19 October.

I enclose copies of the objectives for the Anglo/German Summit and the draft Steering Brief as it was considered at a meeting of Permanent Secretaries on 19 October. (A revised version is being prepared, which will also take account of the Prime Minister's meeting on 19 October with Dr Kohl.)

I agree that we should consider our approach to the Anglo/French and Anglo/German Summits in parallel. We have had this in mind in preparing drafts and most of those involved in preparing the Anglo/French Summit will have had a chance to look at the way we are proposing to tackle the Germans. We did not copy the Anglo/German Summit papers to you because, since this will be the first Summit with the new German Government, and will be fairly brief, we thought it unlikely that energy subjects would arise. They are not included on the list of subjects the Germans, as hosts, have suggested to us for discussion. But if any points strike you I should be very glad to know them.

I am copying this letter to the recipients of yours and I enclose copies of the German papers for those who have not already seen them.

*Yours ever*  
*Antony*

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*Dear Antony,*

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I have no comments on the paper on UK tactics and objectives attached to your letter of 11 October to Robert Armstrong.

We will wish to add two briefs to the list in Annex C - one on the fast reactor and the other on Framatome's interest in tendering for the Sizewell PWR.

The recent change of Government in Germany obviously has implications for the Paris-Bonn axis and our interests both in the Community and in the Alliance. For these reasons I wonder whether it would not be helpful to Ministers in preparing for the Anglo-French Summit if they could also have a list of objectives and tactics for the next Anglo-German Summit. Having the two lists of objectives side by side might suggest where there might be opportunities for us to exploit the changed circumstances to the national advantage.

I am copying this letter to the other recipients of yours.

*Yours ever,*

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