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	10	BRUSSELS (PERSONAL FOR SIR M BUTLER)
	11	EUROPEAN NEGOTIATIONS
	12	Following personal for Sir J Taylor
	13	1. President Mitterrand is due to meet Chancellor Kohl on
	14	20 May. The current negotiations on the Community budget will
	15	certainly be discussed. Recent contact with the French,
	16	including my meeting with M. Dumas in the margins of the
	17	Foreign Affairs Council on 14 May, have yielded little progress.
	18	It seems clear that the French are unlikely to make any move
	19	until the European Council at Fontainebleau. Before he sees
	20	Mitterrand we need to ensure that our position is properly
	21	understood by Kohl personally.
///	22	2. I should be grateful if you would deliver the following
//	23	oral message from the Prime Minister to Teltschik in Kohl's
/	24	office. In doing so you should make absolutely clear that this
	25	message is intended for <u>Kohl only</u> and not for others in the

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2 German Government. For your own information we do not want

3 Genscher involved in any way in these exchanges: his main

4 concern at the moment seems to be to keep in step with the

5 French.

6 3. You should tell Kohl on the Prime Minister's behalf that

7 her position in the negotiations remains as she described it

8 to Chancellor Kohl at Chequers on 2 May. The British Government

9 will be prepared to make a final move in order to clinch an

10 agreement on budget imbalances and, therefore, open the way for

11 new own resources, but only in order to clinch an agreement.

12 We shall not be able to move to a position from which further

13 bargaining would take place. This will require movement from

14 all the other member states if agreement is to be achieved.

15 4. You should add that, following the Prime Minister's meeting

16 with President Mitterrand we have had further contacts with

17 the French Presidency. These have not advanced matters. It is

18 our impression that the French do not wish to bring matters to

19 a conclusion before Fontainebleau. That is all right; but if

20 the Community is not to be left in disarray, it will be very

21 important to do so then. We shall be willing to play our

22 part in trying to achieve this, and believe that the Chancellor

23 takes a similar view.

24 5. Finally, you should say that the Prime Minister will wish

25 to have a personal word with Chancellor Kohl about this when they

26 meet in London on 9 June.

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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

18 May, 1984.

European Negotiations

Thank you for your letter of 17 May. As I told you on the telephone this morning, the Prime Minister has approved the draft telegram of instructions to Sir Jock Taylor.

I am sending a copy of this letter to David Peretz (HM Treasury).

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Agree that Sir Jock Taylor
should speak to Chancellor Kohl's
office tomorrow in terms of the
attached telegram?

17 May, 1984

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European Negotiations

President Mitterrand is due to see Chancellor Kohl at Sarrebruck on Sunday 20 May as part of the tour of European capitals he is making before the European Council in Fontainebleau.

Sir Geoffrey Howe feels that we need to make sure that our position is clearly understood by Kohl personally before he sees Mitterrand; and that, if the Prime Minister agrees, it would be most effective for Sir Jock Taylor to be instructed to convey an oral message from the Prime Minister. This must go to Kohl personally, and not to Genscher, who is unlikely to play a helpful role. I attach a draft telegram. As you will see, this would be given an extremely limited distribution.

In order to give Sir Jock Taylor time to act, the telegram should arrive, if possible, no later than Friday morning (18 May).

I am copying this letter, with the enclosure, to David Peretz in the Treasury.

[Handwritten signature]

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