

PRIME MINISTER

Spoken to  
Chancellor's office

Fr. [Signature] 28/7

1983 Refunds

You will recall that the Chancellor expected the Commission to ask Member States for an advance of own resources (against reimbursement) to allow them to pay our 1983 refunds. He proposed to announce that we would contribute to this in a Written Answer before the Recess.

The Chancellor considers that in the new climate created by the Parliament's decision to block our 1983 refunds:

- a) it would be a mistake to announce our intention; and anyway
- b) the Commission are now unlikely to ask for an advance until October at least.

He will not, therefore, make any statement before the Recess. I am sure that this is right.

Agree?

Yes not

C.D.P.

C. D. POWELL

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