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From the Private Secretary

19 January 1986

EXPO '86: VANCOUVER

Thank you for your letter of 16 January dealing with a number of points about Expo '86.

In the light of this and of the earlier letter reporting the Trade and Industry Secretary's views, the Prime Minister has decided that she will pay a brief visit to Expo '86 on 12 and 13 July. Her strong preference is for Option B in your letter, that is both days spent in Vancouver itself and a meeting there with Mr. Mulroney. She would be most reluctant to have to stop in Montreal on the way back.

The way is therefore now open for us to speak to the Canadians about this.

The Prime Minister has confirmed that she would be ready to fly by Concorde on the terms set out in your letter, subject to confirmation that security advice allows her to do so.

I am copying this letter to John Mogg (Department of Trade and Industry).

Charles Powell

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