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PRIME MINISTER

to note. We shall need drinks in the white drawing room from 8.05  
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29/4.

DINNER FOR CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER

Particularly with television present, I am concerned that the arrangements for this go as smoothly as possible.

Guests have been invited at 8.15 for 8.30 (the later-than-usual time is because you have an Audience). The Mulroneys are due to arrive at 8.20.

It seems to me that this risks congestion. The Mulroneys would arrive in the midst of other guests who would all be milling around outside the Cabinet Room, waiting for the receiving line to be formed.

The solution might be for the Mulroneys to arrive at 8.05; for you and DT to meet them at the front door and escort them to the White Drawing Room for a brief talk; then take up your position on the receiving line in the Blue Drawing Room at 8.15; and the guests, who will start arriving from 8.10 onwards, are then shown upstairs to file past.

The only alternative I can think of is to corral the guests in No. 11 or No. 12 until the Mulroneys arrive and then let them up. But I think that the first solution might be better.

Agree to the first solution? (It would mean, I think, that you would need to change before the Audience.)

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Yes mt

26 April 1985

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PRIME MINISTER

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CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT

You asked yesterday about the arrangements for this.

There is a ceremonial guard at the airport. Otherwise Mr. Mulroney's arrangements on Sunday are private.

He will be laying a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior. He will also be calling on the Queen Mother and having lunch with The Queen.

You will be seeing him on three separate occasions: at his reception at Canada House on the first day of his official programme; and for talks in the morning and dinner in the evening of Tuesday.

Otherwise he is going to the theatre with the Lord Privy Seal.

He particularly asked not to have too strenuous a programme: he wants to rest and prepare himself for the Bonn Summit.

A problem remains over meeting him at 10 a.m. on Sunday. I have tried four Cabinet Ministers but all have very good reasons why they cannot do it. I am pretty sure the others will, too, since its Sunday morning. Lord Young, who will be down in West Sussex and has private engagements, would be prepared to do it if we can find no alternative.

Given that you are seeing Mr. Mulroney on the first day of his official programme, agree that it is sufficient for Lady Young to greet him?

or

Yes Mr

Continue to look for a Cabinet Minister, taking up Lord Young's offer if necessary?

C.D.P.

25 April 1985

PRIME MINISTER

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DINNER FOR CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER

I understand from Bernard that you have agreed that the speeches at this dinner should be televised.

May I please ask you to reconsider? It will inevitably become a precedent and make it harder to reject other requests in future. And Mr. Mulroney's visit is not an official one, the dinner is at round tables, not the big one, so it is really not a 'state' occasion. I am sure that we could satisfy the Canadians with televising the receiving line, as for President Reagan.

C.P.

CHARLES POWELL

22 April 1985

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*From the Private Secretary*

18 April 1985

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA:  
28 APRIL - 1 MAY

Thank you for your letter of 18 April about the agenda for the Prime Minister's meeting with Mr Mulroney.

I agree with the subjects you list and should be grateful if briefing could be prepared on them. (There is no need to prepare briefing on the Prime Minister's impressions of South-East Asia.)

As to participation, I agree that the Foreign Secretary and Sir Derek Day should attend. In the event that the Foreign Secretary is delayed in Brussels we can consider how best to substitute for him.

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18 April, 1985

*Dear Charles,*Visit of the Prime Minister of Canada: 28 April - 1 May

Mr Mulroney is to call on the Prime Minister for talks from 1130 to 1245 on Tuesday, 30 April. I am writing about the agenda and participation.

Agenda

This will be Mr Mulroney's first visit to the United Kingdom since he became Prime Minister, and his first Economic Summit. Apart from the meeting at Chernenko's funeral, it will be the first opportunity for substantive discussions between the two Prime Ministers. We, and the Canadians, envisage that the agenda will focus on the following:

Main Subjects

Economic Summit issues  
East/West  
Arms control and disarmament  
NATO issues  
UK/Canadian relations

Other issues if time permits

The Commonwealth, including the Caribbean and small states  
Central America/Contadora  
Terrorism  
Peace-keeping (Cyprus and Sinai)  
Mrs Thatcher's impressions of South East Asia  
Hong Kong

Unless you wish any amendment we will prepare briefing on this basis, cleared with other Whitehall Departments as appropriate.

/Participation



Participation

It is our understanding that the Canadians are thinking of Mr Mulroney being accompanied by the High Commissioner, a note-taker and probably a senior official. We are seeking confirmation.

On the UK side, the Foreign Secretary would wish to be present, unless he has to remain in Brussels for the Foreign Affairs Council - in which case Lady Young would be available to attend. The High Commissioner in Ottawa, Sir Derek Day, will return to London for the visit and we would propose that he too should attend. Mr David Thomas, Assistant Under Secretary, would also be available to come.

I am copying this letter to Private Secretaries to MAFF, DTI, Treasury, DOE, DHSS and Cabinet Office and should be grateful to know if there are any further questions which they would wish the Prime Minister to raise.

*Yours ever,*

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