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From the Private Secretary

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GLOBAL CLIMATE SEMINAR

The Prime Minister feels it would be useful for as many as possible of the Ministerial Group to be present at the seminar which, as you know, will take place throughout the day on 26 April at No 12 Downing Street. Deborah Lamb said that your Secretary of State would attend for most of it (though would have to leave a bit early because of First Order Questions). The Prime Minister assumes that Lord Caithness will also come.

I should be glad to know from copy recipients whether their Ministers will be able to attend for the day and for the lunch. A copy of the outline programme which you had proposed is attached for their information.

A copy of this letter goes to Bob Peirce (Foreign and Common-wealth Office), Gareth Jones (Department of Trade and Industry), Tom Jeffery (Department of Education and Science), Shirley Stagg (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food), Roy Griffins (Department of Transport), Stephen Haddrill (Department of Energy), Carys Evans (Chief Secretary's Office), Myles Wickstead (Overseas Development Administration), Andrew Lean (Lord Caithness's Office) and to Richard Wilson and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

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CLIMATE CHANGE SEMINAR

- 9.30 Introductory Remarks by Prime Minister followed by: Professor Wigley: Science and likely impacts.
 - overall context of climatic change;
 - differences between past and present experiences;
 - projections for future (including assumptions on man's further activities; growth in developing world, third world.
- 10.30 Coffee
- 10.45 Dr Currie: Mitigating the Greenhouse Effect
 - responses in the developed world;
 - energy efficiency, renewable sources;
 - possibly, third-world issues methane NO2
- 11.30 Sir Crispin Tickell: Responses in International Context
 - global political situation;
 - third world issues;
 - CFCs, Montreal Protocol.
- 12.30 Lunch
- 2.00 Dr Martin Holdgate: Summary of morning session
 - general discussion
- 3.15 Prime Minister's summing up
- 3.30 Tea