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22 July 1983

Visit of the Turkish Foreign Minister

Thank you for your letter of 18 July.

As I told you on the telephone yesterday, the Prime Minister could see Mr. Turkmen for 30 minutes at 6 p.m. on 28 July.

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Prime Minister



leaving in mind that the Foreign and Commonwealth Office
is the last day before Parliament London SW1A 2AH
rises, do you wish to see the
Turkish Foreign Minister for 30 minutes
at 5.00p.m. on 28 July?

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A.J.C. 15/7.

I can't if I
am going to see the hobby
Wed-day. no

Dear Sir,

Visit of the Turkish Foreign Minister: 27-30 July

The Turkish Foreign Minister, Mr Ilter Turkmen, is visiting the UK as a guest of Her Majesty's Government from 27 to 30 July. He is due to have talks with the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary and Lady Young. The Turks have told us that Mr Turkmen would appreciate a courtesy call on the Prime Minister.

The Turkish Government, of which Mr Turkmen is an important senior member, warmly welcomed the Prime Minister's election victory and set considerable store by a continuing close relationship with Her Majesty's Government. A call on the Prime Minister would help emphasise the importance we attach to relations with Turkey, and to the course of developments within Turkey in the immediate future. Sir Geoffrey Howe thinks that it would be desirable for the Prime Minister to see Mr Turkmen if a convenient time can be found.

I understand that the Prime Minister might be free briefly at 5.00 pm on 28 July.

Yours ever
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