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VISIT TO SOUTH EAST ASIA: SPEECHES

I attach drafts of a further five speeches for your South East Asia visit. They are:

- (i) The Malaysia-British Society Banquet.
- (ii) The visit to the Suhnei Ahning Dam site in Kedah province.
- (iii) Lunch with the Indonesian Minister of Technology in Bandung.
- (iv) The Sri Lanka Banquet.
- (v) The opening of the Victoria Dam.

These have not yet been checked by other Whitehall Departments. Nonetheless, you may like to glance at them before our session on Monday.

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22 March 1985



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22 March 1985

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Dear Charles,

BRITISH INVESTMENT IN SINGAPORE: PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH TO THE BBA

Thank you for your letter of 19 March asking for details of UK investment in Singapore in recent years.

... 2 The attached table shows the trend of UK investment in Singapore's Manufacturing Sector together with figures for the UK's total equity investment in Singapore. The figures on total equity investment are published infrequently after detailed statistical analysis and are always a few years out of date. The last report, published in the Economic Survey of Singapore (first quarter of 1984) covering the period up to 1981 showed that the UK was the leading foreign investor in Singapore with investment totalling S\$4.4 billion. We were followed in order by USA (S\$3.3 billion), Hong Kong (S\$2.2 billion), Malaysia (S\$3.3 billion) and Japan (S\$1.7 billion).

3 I hope the figures are of some help.

Yours sincerely,  
Maureen Dodsworth.

MAUREEN DODSWORTH  
Private Secretary

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## BRITISH INVESTMENT IN SINGAPORE

	1970	1972	1975	1980	1981	1982
Manufacturing	199	375	481	1,227	1,412	1,581
Total UK Equity	472	684	1,478	3,412	4,439	-
Total Foreign Equity	1,744	2,694	5,515	12,986	16,785	-

All figures S\$ Millions

SOURCE: Economic Survey of Singapore

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*From the Private Secretary*

19 March 1985

BRITISH INVESTMENT IN SINGAPORE

Could I please have, by the end of this week if possible, some figures showing the trend of British investment in Singapore in recent years. This is for the Prime Minister's speech to the British Business Association.

CHARLES POWELL

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Department of Trade and Industry.

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*From the Private Secretary*

22 March, 1985

Prime Minister's Visit to S.E. Asia

I enclose drafts of two of the Prime Minister's speeches on this visit:

- (i) that to the Institute of Public Administration in Malaysia (on which we were very grateful for the Treasury's help); and
- (ii) that to the British Business Association in Singapore.

I should be grateful if you and other recipients of this letter could have the drafts checked and let me have any necessary amendments by 6 p.m. on 26 March.

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I am copying this letter and enclosures to Callum McCarthy (Department of Trade and Industry) and Peter Ricketts (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

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Mrs. Rachel Lomax,  
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*From the Private Secretary*

21 March, 1985.

I have not so far bothered you directly with the speeches for the South East Asia visit. But I enclose a small one for the Prime Minister's visit to Kedah, to see the Sungei Ahning project. I should be grateful for any improvements you can suggest, such as details of further projects sought by British companies in Kedah, by 4 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, 22 March please.

(C.D. Powell)

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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21 March, 1985

Dear Charles,

Prime Minister's Visit to Asia: Speech at Malaysian/British  
Society Banquet, 7 April

We have now had an opportunity to consult Mr Gillmroe in Kuala Lumpur about the correct form of words for the Prime Minister to use in introducing her speech. It is as follows:

"Tun Ismail Ali, President of the Malaysian/British Society, Honourable Ministers, Distinguished Guests, Members of the Society, Ladies and Gentlemen ...".

Yours ever,

(L V Appleyard)  
Private Secretary

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*From the Private Secretary*

19 March 1985

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Thank you very much for your splendid contribution to the INTAN speech in Malaysia. I have taken this very fully and will send you a copy of the version which the Prime Minister has approved.

I enclose a draft which I have been working up for the opening of the Victoria Dam. It only needs quite a short speech but my version is a bit sparse. If you could fill it out a bit and make any other changes you think necessary, I would be very grateful. I need it back by mid-morning on Friday.

Charles Powell

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