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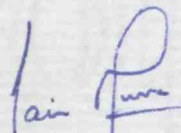
BBC FILMING OF NO 10

After some negotiation the arrangements agreed with the BBC for filming the reception and dinner are as below. A Canadian film crew will be present at the same locations, most of which are static.

- (a) Mr Mulroney's arrival. No photocall in the Entrance Hall, but there will be a mass of photographers in the street expecting a doorstep shot of the Prime Minister greeting her guest.
- (b) The Reception line in the Blue Room. On Mr Taylor's advice I have assumed that the reception line, with Mr Thatcher and Mrs Mulroney, will be in front of the fireplace in the Blue Room. The two cameras will be positioned on the window side of the doorway to the pillared room, which will give them a good view of the line. At some point they will both briefly move to the other side of the doorway to get a different angle on the same scene. This will be their only change of position. They will not be allowed to roam. There will be static lights on throughout.
- (c) The Reception. The two crews will be positioned inside the Pillared Room, near the door to the small dining room, with the intention of filming a small part of the reception and the movement of the guests into the Dining Room. Their static lights will be switched on throughout.
- (d) The Dinner. The BBC want to film the Prime Ministers going into dinner, and of them arriving in the Dining Room. To do this they will film them walking across the Pillared Room towards the small dining room, and will then retreat in front of them to the large dining room. The BBC crew

crew will flatten themselves into the left-hand corner of the Dining Room (as you enter), to catch their entrance. The Prime Ministers will therefore pass within 2-3 feet of their camera. The Canadian crew will be on the right of the door. Both crews will do quick general shots - from the door - of the guests seated, and then leave. Unfortunately they need static lights, and these will ^{probably} have to be left in position when switched off.

The BBC consider that they will not intrude too much, and I have told them that they must remain in one position in each room, they cannot roam around.



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