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Chapman for information
This note was dictated to
Chapman last week following the
report from Colin Chandler
MBA 2/5

PRIME MINISTER

AN UPDATE AFTER THE PRINCE'S VISIT

The Defence Sales people have reported to me on the meeting with the Prince this morning.

MoD say it went very well. The mood was friendly, and the discussions constructive. It lasted 1½ hours.

On the letters the Prince was very pleased they were so positive. He is delighted to take them on to the Kingdom. He thought the paragraph on the peace process particularly important: it was very useful to see the UK position set out so clearly in that way. He was impressed with the line we are taking; he thinks it most important you pursue that line, as your letter suggested, with President Reagan; and the letter would help the Saudis guide their own policy towards the US.

At the meeting, the Prince indicated that, particularly in view of our willingness there might be further UK orders in connection with the construction work for the bases, etc.

On the Prince's movements, he is due to fly back to the Kingdom any time now (1430). He expects to be back in the UK on Tuesday or Wednesday. He is not seeking at this stage a further meeting with you, so he would be delighted to see you if you wished to arrange that. He will however be seeing Mr. Heseltine on his return here.

MoD are now pursuing with his team further detailed discussions.

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Suzanne

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