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Dear Charles,

ANGLO FRENCH SUMMIT : 21 NOVEMBER 1986

We spoke. As I explained, my Secretary of State discussed attendance at the Summit with M. Douffiagues in the margins of the Transport Council on 11 November. Both Ministers agreed there was no strong reason for them to participate; indeed, M. Douffiagues did not appear to be at all keen.

As I explained, my Secretary of State has a long-standing political engagement in the East Midlands on 21 November and he is anxious to confirm with the organisers that he will be able to attend. I should therefore be grateful if you could confirm as soon as possible that the Prime Minister is content that Transport Ministers should not participate in the Summit.

/ I am copying this letter to Colin Budd.

Yours Sincerely,

Jon Cunliffe.

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