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*From the Private Secretary*

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TURKISH STATE VISIT

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Thank you for your letter of 21 March about the visit of President Evren. I am sure that the Prime Minister would be happy to have a talk with him before the lunch and we have put this in the diary. But could you please try to prevent the whole suite from arriving until 1245.

Charles Powell

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*Tessa*  
*Can we do this?*  
*OP*

*CC/AC*

*Yes I have promised to do this on 13 July*  
*7a. 22/3*

*Dear Charles,*

Turkish State Visit

The Prime Minister will be heavily involved in the State Visit of President Evren of Turkey which is taking place from 12 to 15 July. In particular we understand that the Lord Chamberlain will be asking her to give a lunch in the President's honour at 1 pm on Wednesday, 15 July.

*Presumably 13 July*

The Turks have told us that President Evren is anxious to have a full meeting with the Prime Minister during his visit. The obvious occasion would be before the lunch, when there is a gap in the President's programme.

The Prime Minister will be meeting President Evren during her visit to Turkey next month. The Foreign Secretary considers that this strengthens the case for agreeing to the President's request. The meeting could be quite short but, since interpretation would be necessary, it would perhaps be wise to allow 45 minutes for it. This would mean starting it at 12.15. I should be grateful to know whether this would be acceptable to the Prime Minister.

*Low fever* / *High fever*

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