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VISIT BY THE PRIME MINISTER TO TURKEY, 6-8 APRIL

I am writing to confirm that the Prime Minister will be visiting Turkey from 6 to 8 April 1988.

The party will arrive in Ankara on the evening of 6 April with the main party being accommodated at the British Embassy, where the Private Office will be located.

The Duty Clerk (Ms S Lowe) and the two Garden Room girls (Mrs L Outred-Rhodes and Mrs D Scola) will stay at the Palace Hotel. All of which are cleared for Cat III material.

The party will depart Ankara for Istanbul on the morning of 8 April arriving later that morning. Whilst in Istanbul the Private Office will be set up at the Shale Kiosk. The party will depart the evening of 8 April to return to UK.

The Duty Clerk will act as COMSO at all times until the Private Office is closed at the end of the day. During silent hours, Charles Powell, the Prime Minister's Private Secretary, will act as COMSO. Any material which may be sent will be securely locked overnight in the Private Office which will be manned during silent hours by the Royal Military Police.

BRAHMS secure speech equipment will be available during the visit and a secure facsimile will be available while the party is in Ankara only, and will be cleared for all (including Cat III) material. There will also be secure links whilst the party is in-flight.

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