

PRIME MINISTER

MEETING WITH SIR JULIAN BULLARD

Julian Bullard is coming to pay a belated farewell call on you tomorrow. So far as I know, he does not yet have any retirement job. His ambition is to find a college headship at Oxford but I am not aware at present of any vacancies for which he is well placed.

You will want to thank Julian for all his services over the years, in particular as Political Director and in Germany where he has served no less than three times and is widely respected. He is likely to urge you to pay more attention to the Germans and be more patient with them (the theme of the concluding paragraph of his valedictory despatch, which is in the folder). You will want to say that you are in no doubt of the importance of Germany but find genuine difficulties in dealing with a coalition government which never seems to know where it stands and substitutes - in Kohl's case - bluster for thought. What precisely is it that he thinks we ought to do that we are not presently doing?

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