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From the Private Secretary

The Prime Minister found it most useful to have the briefing note which you sent under cover of your letter of 31 March.

As you will have heard, the Prime Minister raised the matter at some considerable length both with the Turkish Prime Minister and with the Mayor of Istanbul and alluded in public speeches to the United Kingdom's interest in helping Turkey with the Third Bosphorus Bridge. Mr. Dalan's attitude to your company's bid was, to put it mildly, disappointing. I understand that you are discussing the next step with the Department of Trade and Industry.

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