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From the Private Secretary

STATE VISIT BY PRESIDENT EVREN OF TURKEY:
TALKS AT NO. 10

Thank you for your letter of 28 June suggesting an agenda for the Prime Minister's talks with President Evren on 13 July. I am content with what you propose.

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Dear Charles,

State Visit of President Evren of Turkey: Talks at No 10

We have been giving some thought to the main subjects which might be covered in the Prime Minister's brief when she meets President Evren before the lunch at No 10 on 13 July.

The talks will last only 45 minutes, with interpretation. But as they will be the only opportunity for ministerial discussion with the President during his visit, it would be worth trying to cover the following:

(a) Nato and East West Relations. This might be raised in the context of the President's visit to the United States (29 June - 3 July); he might be able to comment on the prospects for Turkey's relations with the US after President Reagan steps down from office.

(b) Cyprus. Although the President is likely to produce a re-run of the lecture he gave the Prime Minister during her visit to Ankara in April, we have a real interest in a settlement and it would be a mistake not to raise the subject.

(c) Terrorism. The recent dramatic assassination attempt on Prime Minister Ozal brings this subject sharply into focus. The President should be sympathetic to our tough line.

The Prime Minister will also be defensively briefed in case the President raises the Turkish application to join the EC.

Once we have your views on these suggestions, we will seek the agreement of the Turks and see if they have any other subjects which they wish to propose.

Yours ever,
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