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From the Private Secretary

11 April 1989

MR. GORBACHEV'S VISIT: MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT BUSH

Thank you for your letter of 10 April enclosing a draft message for the Prime Minister to send to President Bush about her meeting with Mr. Gorbachev. It was not quite what the Prime Minister wanted. I enclose an alternative version which she has approved. I should be grateful for any comments as rapidly as possible. The Prime Minister wants it to be despatched by the direct line to the White House in time for start of business in Washington today.

C. D. POWELL

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From the Private Secretary

11 April 1989

Dear Stephen,

MR. GORBACHEV'S VISIT

I enclose for your records a copy of the message which the Prime Minister has sent President Bush about her talks with Mr. Gorbachev. It should receive a very restricted distribution only.

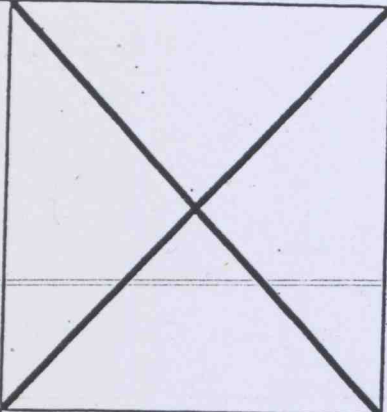
I am copying it under similar caveat to Brian Hawtin (Ministry of Defence) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Yours sincerely,
A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'C D Powell'.

C D POWELL

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From the Private Secretary

7 April 1989

Dear Stepler.

MR. GORBACHEV'S VISIT

I am sure the Prime Minister will want to send a message to President Bush about Mr. Gorbachev's visit to the United Kingdom. This should not only respond to Bush's own message about Central America and the further message which General Scowcroft sent me, but convey some conclusions from the visit and thoughts on the way ahead. I should be grateful for your help in preparing a draft which the Prime Minister could see as early as possible next week.

BF

I am copying this letter to Brian Hawtin (Ministry of Defence) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

If you think saying to Kohl & Tervand would also be appropriate. I think the Prime Minister would be ready to send them.

Stephen Wall, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

your sincerely

C D POWELL
be ready to send them.

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