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F./C.O. are researching.

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PRIME MINISTER

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Dinner for Prime Minister of Malaysia: 9 March

You are having talks at 1900 hours followed immediately by dinner at 1945 for 2000 hours. 48 people are being invited.

Would you like this to be a black tie occasion or informal? If informal could you let me know whether you will be wearing long or short as I mis-informed people when President Mubarak came and told everybody you would be in long.

C.S.

F.C.O. sent
Telex. Nobuy
and paper
by journal
of 24th

Prime Minister

I think it would be better
not to have a black tie
dinner for this particular guest.

21 February 1983

I should have thought
he would expect a formal
dinner. Can we ask? No

A.F.C. 21/2



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See John,

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Visit of Malaysian Prime Minister

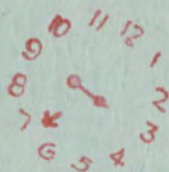
/ For the record, you may like to see the original of Dr Mahathir's reply to the Prime Minister's invitation. The text was given in Kuala Lumpur telegram number 37 of 8 February.

Yours ever
John Holmes

(J E Holmes)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
10 Downing Street

21 FEB 1983



FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES



For
be. Caroline Stephens
Sue Goodchild

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

21 February 1983

VISIT OF THE PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA

As you know, the Prime Minister has agreed to give a dinner for the Prime Minister of Malaysia on 9 March. We shall make this a dinner for 48. I should be grateful for a suggested guest list in the next couple of days. The Prime Minister would like to have a 45-minute talk with Dr. Mahathir before the dinner. Precise timings can be agreed between the Diary Secretaries.

A. J. COLES

John Holmes, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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PRIME MINISTERVisit of the Prime Minister of Malaysia

You have kindly agreed to give a dinner for him on 9 March. He has accepted with alacrity.

We have considered carefully with the FCO and our High Commission in Kuala Lumpur what kind of dinner might be best. I suggest a dinner for 48 at the usual 6 small tables. Agree?

Yes mt

I also suggest that you have a 45 minute talk with him before dinner. Agree?

Yes mt

A.Y.C.

18 February 1983

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MR THATCHER

The Prime Minister is giving
a dinner for the Prime Minister
of Malaya on Wednesday 9 March.

Can you co-host?

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17 February 1983

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London SW1A 2AH

15 February 1983

Discussed orally.

A. J. C. 15/2

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Dear Sir,

Visit of Prime Minister of Malaysia

/ We spoke, and I attach a draft telegram on which I shall be grateful for comments.

Yours ever,

(B J P Fall)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
10 Downing Street

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AND INFORMATION IMMEDIATE TO JAKARTA (For Bentley)
Your telno 49: DR MAHATHIR'S VISIT
1. As you know (our telno 36) 10 March could scarcely
be a more unpromising day for a meeting. The Prime
Minister is fully committed from Cabinet on and has to
leave London immediately after questions for a series of
long-standing engagements. Moreover, we have noted
Dr Mahathir's preference not to have an early morning
meeting.
2. In these very awkward circumstances, the Prime
Minister wonders whether it might not make more sense to
try and set up a meeting after Dr Mahathir's arrival on
9 March. She has existing commitments on the evening of
9 March but would be willing to rearrange these in order to
fit in either a meeting over tea (if Mahathir's flight
would permit this) or an evening meal. If neither of
these would be feasible for Dr Mahathir, she would do

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 her best to reschedule her pre-Cabinet commitments on
 10 March, but this by definition would have to be a very
 early meeting.
 3. Please go over the problems carefully and tactfully
 with Dr Mahathir's Private Secretary and report reactions
 as soon as possible.

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