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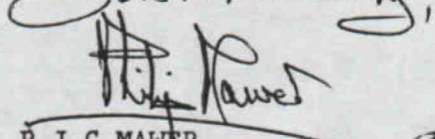
We have been collecting our thoughts on the agenda of issues which the Home Secretary might discuss with Monsieur Pasqua during their bilateral session as part of this Summit. Our conclusions are as follows:

- (i) Terrorism should certainly feature and, following recent discussions in Trevi, we might focus on our respective perceptions of the terrorist threat to the EC countries whether from States or groups and how that work might develop. The discussion would also provide an opportunity for an exchange of views on how we each see future developments in multilateral bodies such as Trevi and Summit Seven. We should also look at the scope for closer bilateral co-operation.
- (ii) Immigration matters should also certainly feature. In particular we would want to discuss the prospects for visa harmonisation, and the country of first asylum issue.
- (iii) If time allows, it might also be useful to discuss the question of drug trafficking and measures to combat it.

There are a number of issues which the French may wish to raise and on which defensive briefing will be necessary, including the Channel Tunnel and the Carriers' Liability Act. I suppose that crime in general and efforts to control it may also come up, although this might better feature in the discussions which the Home Secretary hopes to have with the French Minister of Justice, as a result of his invitation to Monsieur Chalandon to visit London in the early part of this year.

I should be grateful if, through our Embassy in Paris, you could sound the French about any items they may plan to raise with us, with a view to producing an agreed agenda for the occasion. The Home Secretary is of course greatly looking forward to seeing Monsieur Pasqua again.

I am copying this letter to Charles Powell (No 10).

Yours sincerely,

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