

PRIME MINISTER

DIARY MEETING: 17 DECEMBER: 1030 HOURS

Tomorrow's diary meeting should, I think, cover our normal two items:

- (i) The diary for the next two weeks, and particularly your plans for Christmas and the New Year.
 - (ii) Outstanding requests for meetings, visits, etc.
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I attach a copy of the diary for the next two weeks (Flag A) and the list of outstanding invitations (Flag B).

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Mark Addison

16 December 1985

cc: Mr. Wicks
Mr. Powell
Mr. Norgrove
Mrs. Ryder
Mr. Alison
Mr. Sherbourne
Mr. Coe

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PRIME MINISTER'S ENGAGEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING
WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBERWednesday 18 December

0900 Meeting of Ministers +CDP
 1030 Emma Nicholson +SS
 1100 MISC 122
 1200 NW, CDP + CR to discuss PM's holiday
 1230 Accept turkey from British Turkey Federation +CR
 White Drawing Room
 Lunch in Garden Rooms
 1415 Peter Thurnham MP + adopted son Stephen & British
 Agencies for Adoption and Fostering + MA, CW &
 photographer
 1430-1530 E(A)
 1545 Keep free for DN
 1700 FCS +CDP
 1730 Chancellor of the Exchequer +DN
 c1800 Look in at Whips Party +MA - 12 Downing Street
 1830 Look in at Central Office Christmas Party +MA & SS
 32 Smith Square
 1930 Supper in Flat
 PM Paired all day

Thursday 19 December

0830 Hair
 0900 Questions briefing team
 1000 Cabinet
 after Cabinet Meeting of Ministers
 1300 Lunch and Questions briefing
 1515 Questions H/C
 1545-1630 Sir Edward du Cann +NW H/C
 1630 Cecil Parkinson & Peter Rees + CDP H/C
 1700 Meeting of Ministers H/C
 Drinks with MPs +MA H/C
 Return to No. 10
 1830-2000 Office Christmas Party +DT
 PM paired all day

Friday 20 December

0900 Professor Griffiths
 0930 Meeting of Ministers
 1100 Lord Young
 1130-1230 Sir Percy Cradock +CDP
 1230 Jean Caines to say farewell
 1500-1600 Chancellor of the Duchy + SS
 1600 Keep free
 1700-1730 Keep free
 c1900 To Chequers

Saturday 21 December

Keep free

Monday 23 December

a.m. Keep free
1200 Chief Whip
1215 Chief Whip, Lord Privy Seal, Lord President &
Chairman
1300 Lunch in flat
1430-1500 Tessa Gaisman to say farewell

Tuesday 24 December

0830-1000 Hair
Keep free
pm To Chequers
1830 Cocktail party at Chequers

Thursday 26 December

Boxing Day lunch at Chequers

Friday 27 December

To Scotney

Saturday 28 December to Monday 30 December

Scotney
Return to No.10

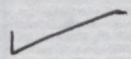
Tuesday 31 December

0800-0930 Hair
TV and radio interviews, No.10
Lunch in flat
1530-1630 Sir Yehudi Menuhin No.10
To Chequers

DIARY MEETING: OUTSTANDING REQUESTS AND INVITATIONS

1. Wednesday 5 March 1800: Airey Neave Memorial Trust - press conference

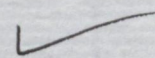
The Trust have asked you to look in at the press launch of a book on human rights\Helsinki which they commissioned. The launch is taking place in the Jubilee Room in the House.

**Notes and recommendations:**

The GL area Council AGM is at 1900. I am sure the Trust would understand if your diary prevented you accepting. Regrets?

2. Wednesday 19 March 1830: International Conference on Drug Misuse

You said you could not speak at this conference, and that you wished to go to the CBI\Turning Point one instead. We are still trying to agree a suitable date with Turning Point. Meanwhile, DHSS have asked if you would be able to look in at the official reception for the international conference. Thirty-one countries have been invited (including nine Commonwealth). DHSS Ministers believe your presence at the reception could help give the conference a very helpful push.

**Notes and recommendations:**

Tackling the drug problem internationally, as well as domestically, is something you are on the record as being strongly committed to. I think you will wish to accept the DHSS invitation and look in at the reception, if you can. You would not need to speak. Provisional acceptance?

3. 4-7 February. Prince Andrew: Invitation to visit
HMS BRAZEN in London

HMS BRAZEN is in London from 4-7 February. If you would like to visit, Prince Andrew has asked whether you would prefer a private visit, or an invitation to the ship's cocktail party, on 4 February.

Notes and Recommendations ✓

There is time in the diary if you wished to do this. On 4 February, you have a dinner with the "No Turning Back Group", probably at the House, starting at 2015.

4. 24 July - 2 August: Commonwealth Games

We have fixed the reception for the Commonwealth Games Federation on 17 March. We need now to consider your attendance at the Games themselves. Nigel has had a word with Sir Philip Moore. We shall need to discuss at the meeting.

5. Wednesday 1 October 1986: Royal Sussex County Hospital:
opening of the new renal unit

I have now spoken to Sir Anthony Trafford, who is delighted that you will be opening the new renal unit. We have provisionally fixed the date for 1 October. You would spend an hour looking at the new renal unit, and there would then be a further hour for lunch.

You might like to combine a short party engagement beforehand. Agree?

Yes ✓

6. Percent Club: reception

Sir Hector Laing has asked if you would give a reception at No 10 early in the new year to promote the Percent Club. The idea behind the club is that companies agree to give a defined amount of support to community projects.

Notes and recommendations:

Nigel has spoken to Sir Hector. The Percent Club is a good cause. But your programme of evening engagements, and particularly of receptions and seminars, in the early part of next year is already very full. Furthermore, the reception would be yet another to which leading industrialists are invited, and at which they are asked to contribute to a worthy cause. There will probably be a good deal of overlap between those on Sir Hector's list, and those who will be coming to the Better Made in Britain seminar on 25 February, the Royal National Institute for the Deaf reception on 20 February, and the Switch meeting (a follow-up to the one you held earlier this year) on 24 February.

I think you will have to say no, at least if Sir Hector needs to stick to his proposal that the reception be held early in the new year.

7. Lunch with Thames Water

Roy Watts, Chairman, has come back and asked for a date when you might lunch with him and his executives at their headquarters in Rosebery Avenue.

Notes and recommendations:

Thames Water keep pushing. You will wish to send them a firm refusal. Agree?

8. The Lords Taverners: reception at No 10

Mr Thatcher wonders if you might wish to give a reception for the Lords Taverners next year. You had a dinner for them here in 1982, which gave their charitable work a good boost.

Notes and recommendations:

We shall need to discuss. But, once again, the programme already agreed for receptions is a very heavy one.

9. Viscount Macmillan: Public Affairs Panel of the Publishers Association

Viscount Macmillan has asked me if you would join the panel for lunch. He would like to discuss, in particular, hopes for the future of their industry.

The Publishers Association have close links with DTI, and the Department are very much aware of their views.

Notes and recommendations:

Viscount Macmillan's approach seems to be really a personal one. I do not believe there is any compelling reason for you to take this on unless you particularly wish to. Regrets? *Regret*

10. National Westminster Bank

Lord Boardman has renewed his invitation to lunch or dinner with his colleagues. He has, as you know, been pressing for this for some time.

Notes and recommendations:

You have in the past been reluctant to agree to a lunch with Lord Boardman, because similar requests from all the

other banks would follow. I am sure that is the right line. But we could check to see whether there was some other way of ensuring that you and Lord Boardman crossed each others paths before too long.

11. Cologne University: invitation to speak to the Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences

We shall need to discuss.

MEDIA

We have the following bids outstanding.

London Weekend Television's Credo programme - filming in April.

Sunday Telegraph - present prizes at a Savoy lunch in June.

"Good Housekeeping" - interview.

Guild of British Newspaper Editors - invitation to be guest of honour at their fortieth anniversary dinner in Sutton Coldfield on April 11-13 (you have a regional tour on the Friday).

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13 December 1985