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*Prime Minister  
Agree talk Mr. Pattie*

*should attend to  
Anglo-Italian Summit in  
place of Mr. Channon?  
CDD  
12/2*

Dear Charles,

*Yes  
no*

ANGLO-ITALIAN SUMMIT : 12 MARCH

Colin Budd sent me a copy of his letter of 22 January giving details of the provisional programme for the Summit.

2 Mr Channon would very much have wished to attend the Summit if at all possible. Unfortunately it clashes with the DTI's first Order Questions on 12 March and Mr Channon feels he ought to remain in London to answer them personally. Nevertheless he attaches importance to participation by a DTI Minister and subject to the Prime Minister's views would propose that Mr Pattie should attend in his place in view of the likely emphasis on industrial collaboration issues.

3 I am copying this letter to Colin Budd (FCO).

*Yours ever,  
Michael*

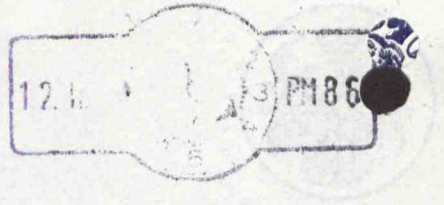
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*From the Private Secretary*

13 February 1986

**ANGLO-ITALIAN SUMMIT: 12 MARCH**

Thank you for your letter of 12 February about the Anglo-Italian Summit. The Prime Minister agrees that Mr. Channon should give priority to Questions on 12 March and would be grateful if Mr. Pattie would attend the Anglo-Italian Summit in his place.

**C D POWELL**

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