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26 August 1986

Dear Mark,

CDP (OW)

Prime Minister's Visit to BFG
on 17 September: Travel Arrangements

It is proposed that the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State for Defence's party travel by RAF VC10 from Bonn/Cologne to Fassberg. From Fassberg the party will travel in three BFG Puma helicopters to Fallingbommel, where the official visit commences. There will be some ground transport and I will submit separately on the car allocation. I attach an outline programme, together with the proposed passenger list on the RAF VC10.

VC10 Timings are:

(UK = GMT + 1, Germany = GMT + 2)

ETD Bonn/Cologne	0845	-	Coffee and biscuits
ETA Fassberg	0935	-	will be provided
ETD Gutersloh	1745	-	Sandwiches, pastries
ETA LHR Southside	1805	-	and drinks will be served

Helicopters

BFG will provide two VIP Puma helicopters, with seating for four British and four German VIPs in each, and a third helicopter for the support staff. I should be grateful for your approval of the suggested passenger list below. Would you particularly want to get Mr Ingham into Helicopter A?

Helicopter A

Prime Minister	Chancellor Kohl and staff
HM Ambassador	
Mr Wicks	
Mr Powell	

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Brigadier Blacker
(Principal Staff Officer)
1 Detective (PM)

/Helicopter B

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Helicopter B

Secretary of State
for Defence
Mr J Howe
Sir John Fieldhouse
Mr Ingham

Dr Woerner and staff

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Brigadier Quayle
1 Detective (SoS for Defence)

Helicopter C (Support Staff)

Mr Sawer
Mrs Cummings
Miss Gibson
Mr Gair
1 RMP
1 Detective (PM)
1 Detective (SoS for Defence)

Anglo-German Summit, 16 September

The seating plan for passengers travelling on the VC10 from LHR to Bonn will follow when the full party is known.

*Yours Sincerely,
Colin Budd*

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

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OUTLINE PROGRAMME FOR VISIT OF CHANCELLOR KOHL AND
PRIME MINISTER THATCHER
17 SEPTEMBER 1986

Time (local)	Event
0810	Leave Residence for Airport by car
0845	Depart Bonn/Koln on RAF VC10
0935	Arrive GAF Fassberg
0945	Depart GAF Fassberg in Puma helicopter
1000	Arrive Fallingbostel - St Barbara Bks Met by Air Marshal Sir David Parry-Evans (C & C, RAF Germany) and General Sir Martin Farndale (C & C in Baor)
1005	General Salute - German National Anthem Inspect GOH and RAFG Band
1015	Enter Officers' Mess
1020	BFG Briefing
1100	Tour Fallingbostel Gar - Heli re-position at Range 9
1200	Depart for Hohne - Range 9 (by road)
1215	View Tank Demonstration - meet and talk to crews involved in demo
1315	Lunch
1400	Press Conference
1430	Press Conference ends
1440	Depart for Sennelager TA in Puma
1525	Arrive Sennelager
1530	Briefed on RAF Demonstration by Force Commander
1540	View Demonstration
1630	Depart Sennelager TA for RAF Gutersloh

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1645 Arrive RAF Gutersloh
1655 Chancellor Kohl departs in special aircraft
for Bonn
1700 PM has discussion with CinCs
1730 PM interview for SSVC
1745 PM departs RAF Gutersloh in RAF VC10
1805 Arrive London Heathrow Southside

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PASSENGER LIST FOR THE VC10 FLIGHTS BONN COLOGNE/FASSBERG AND GUTERSLOH/LHR

1. The Rt Hon Prime Minister
Margaret Thatcher MP

No 10 Downing Street

2. Mr N L Wicks Principal Private Secretary
3. Mr C D Powell Private Secretary
4. Mr B Ingham Chief Press Secretary
5. Mr M Sawyer Duty Clerk
6. Mrs V Cummings Secretarial Assistant
7. Chief Insp T Butler Detective
8. (to be advised) Detective

Ministry of Defence

9. The Rt Hon Secretary of State for
George Younger MP Defence
10. Mr J Howe Private Secretary
11. Sgt J Green Detective
12. Sgt R Pugh Detective

COI

13. Mr R Gair COI Radio

British Embassy, Bonn

14. Sir Julian Bullard KCMG HM Ambassador
(Bonn/Fassberg only)
15. Brigadier T D G Quayle Defence and Military Attaché
(Bonn/Fassberg only)

Support Staff

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| 16. Miss C Gibson | Conference Officer |
| 17. Sgt A Wells | Royal Military Police |
| 18. Cpl A McAlister | Royal Military Police |
| 19. L/Cpl M J Harrison | Royal Military Police |

A seating plan will be submitted when it is known if Chancellor Kohl will fly from Bonn to Fassenberg in the VC10. (He returns from holiday on 25 August.)

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From the Private Secretary

28 August 1986

**PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO BFG:
TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS**

Thank you for your letter of 26 August about the travel arrangements for the Prime Minister's visit to British Forces in Germany. These are perfectly acceptable although you will wish to note that Nigel Wicks will not be taking part in this visit and amend the delegation list accordingly.

(Charles Powell)

C. R. Budd, Esq.,
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