

PRIME MINISTER

JOHN MADDOX - NATURE

You agreed some time ago to give an interview to John Maddox,
Editor of Nature, and this has been fixed for 5.15 next Tuesday,
July 9.

You have not given Nature an interview as Prime Minister. John
Maddox says he will let me see what he proposes to publish.

He is interested in three main areas:

- i. how you oversee Science policy (against the
background he says of your rejecting, in response
to a Lords Select Committee report, the idea of a
Science Minister);
- ii. the problem of the amount of pure research in
universities about which he is worried; and
- iii. what, if any, effect will the disappointment
of Milan have on technical collaboration and Eureka?

We are preparing briefing and I will put it up on Monday.

*I shall need a talk with
Robin Nicholson*

MS

See

Met

BERNARD INGHAM
5 July 1985

*I have arranged
for him to come
in at 11.00 am.
to morning.*

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10 DOWNING STREET

Cordell Ryder

With the compliments of

R. see PM wants
to get in a talk
with Robin Nicholson.
I have briefed what
she should see before
men; I am putting it up
comms J