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FOLLOWING PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR FROM CHARLES POWELL,
NO. 10 DOWNING STREET

YOUR TELNO 190: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS

1. THE PRIME MINISTER IS MOST GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE TROUBLE
WHICH YOU ARE TAKING OVER HER PRIVATE VISIT AND WELL CONTENT
WITH THE PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS.

2. A NUMBER OF SPECIFIC POINTS:

- I THINK THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD PREFER TO MEET THE SENIOR
STAFF ON THE SUNDAY.
- GAUGUIN WINS BY A SHORT HEAD FROM RODIN.
- INVITATION TO VAUX-LE-VICOMTE ACCEPTED WITH PLEASURE.
- VERY HAPPY WITH GUEST LISTS (SAVE PERHAPS A SLIGHT
GULP OVER CRESSON, BUT NO MATTER). NO OTHER SUGGESTIONS
TO MAKE.
- ARE DINNERS BLACK TIE?

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PRIME MINISTER'S PRIVATE VISIT TO PARIS 25-26 FEBRUARY 1989

I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING OUTLINE TIMETABLE:

SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY

1500 UK TIME - LEAVE NORTHOLT
1700 LOCAL TIME - ARRIVE VILLACOUBLAY MILITARY AIRPORT
1730 ARRIVE EMBASSY
1800-1900 MEET SENIOR STAFF (FIRST SECRETARIES AND ABOVE) AND
WIVES FOR A DRINK (OR ON SUNDAY, PLEASE ADVISE)
2015 FOR 2030 SMALL DINNER (12-14) (AT PRESENT I HAVE ASKED MME
CRESSON AND HUSBAND, BARRES AND SEILLIERES - NO 2
IN PATRONAT. ALL ENGLISH SPEAKERS, AS A SELECTION
OF PROMINENT PERSONALITIES WHO WILL NOT BE AT THE
MONDAY SUMMIT)

SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY

0900-1000 PRIVATE VISIT TO MUSEE RODIN (WHICH THE PRIME
MINISTER MENTIONED) OR TO THE MAJOR GAUGUIN
EXHIBITION AT THE GRAND PALAIS. PLEASE ADVISE
WHICH. IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A MONDAY
0900 VISIT ALSO BUT I ASSUME THAT YOU WOULD NOT
WANT THAT.
1030 LEAVE FOR VAUX-LE-VICOMTE
1115-1130 ARRIVE VAUX-LE-VICOMTE (APART FROM VERSAILLES, THE
FINEST CHATEAU IN THE REGION) WALK IN PARK (FAMOUS
LE NOTRE GARDENS) AND/OR SEE CHATEAU
1300 LUNCH WITH THE OWNERS. COMTE AND COMTESEE PATRICE
DE VOGUE (BOTH ARE FLUENT ENGLISH SPEAKERS AND HAVE
BEEN MUCH INFLUENCED BY UK EXPERIENCE IN HOW TO
MAKE A MAJOR PRIVATELY-OWNED COUNTRY PROPERTY VIABLE.
I HAVE CONSULTED THE VOGUES ON A PROVISIONAL BASIS
(THEY WOULD BE DELIGHTED) BUT NEED TO CONFIRM WITH
THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS THEY WILL BE AWAY FROM
END OF THIS WEEK UNTIL JUST BEFORE 25 FEBRUARY.
1500 LEAVE FOR PARIS
1600 FREE AT EMBASSY
2000 FOR 2015 SMALL DINNER (12-14) (AT PRESENT I HAVE ASKED THE
CHIRACS, AND ALSO THE JUPPES AND JEROME MONODS:
BOTH ARE PROMINENT SUPPORTERS OF CHIRAC, THE
LATTER A PROMINENT INDUSTRIALIST.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER IDEAS FOR GUESTS.

NO SHOPPING PLANNED.

MITTERRAND WILL BE RETURNING FROM TOKYO ON 26 FEBRUARY AND CAN, I
THINK, BE COUNTED OUT. I CANNOT EXCLUDE THAT ROCARD WILL COME UP
WITH IDEAS, PROBABLY AT THE LAST MINUTE.

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