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VISIT TO DEIDESHEIM

FCO Protocol need to know whether Mr. Lederer, the interpreter, is also to be included on the sight-seeing tour. Presumably yes?

NO : only at the hotel
for the talk &
lunch
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FCO told 25/4.

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VISIT TO DEIDESHEIM: 30 APRIL

Herewith latest information re this visit.
You will wish to note in particular
paras 8 and 9.

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~~Amanda~~

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You will want
to note the
points about
dress (para. 8) &
gifts (para. 10).

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24 April 1989

MISS C GIBSON
Protocol Department
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Dear Cousin,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO DEIDESHEIM: 30 APRIL

As a follow-up to our two telegrams sent over the weekend about the programme and press facilities for the Prime Minister's visit to Deidesheim on 30 April, the following is a list of the "nuts and bolts" arrangements. I assume that you will see Doug Lewis's report on the security aspects.

2. Helicopter travel. The visitors (plus Neuer or Teltschik) will travel from Ramstein to Deidesheim in an 11-seater VIP Puma helicopter. Although there will be a back-up helicopter on the ground at Ramstein, it will not fly to Deidesheim. It is essential therefore that those accompanying the Prime Minister from London move as quickly as possible, with any luggage etc., to the Puma. As to departure, those left behind when the sight-seeing begins will travel by road to Ramstein in Embassy transport, journey time about 50 minutes.

3. Accommodation (PM's Party). The Deidesheimer Hof is a middle-size country hotel (48 beds) and does not have any suites in the real sense. The Prime Minister will have the largest double bedroom which incorporates a sitting area and adjoining bathroom - on the second floor. Terry Perks will have access to a double room on the first floor. He should be aware however that the German security authorities will insist that no journalists be allowed into the public areas of the hotel. Mrs Lambert will have a bedroom on the second floor which will have a table, chair etc. for office use. Access to the Prime Minister's room should be possible on Saturday but the other two may be occupied until early on Sunday morning. We shall clarify this as quickly as possible. The German Government will pay for the rooms.

4. Accommodation (Delegation). As the visit is taking place over a holiday weekend and as the Deidesheimer Hof is probably the best hotel in the district, the owner much regretted that he cannot put up the "advance party", including Andrew Noble and me on the nights of 28 and 29 April. After much phoning around he

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found us rooms at the Hotel Heusser in Bad Dürkehim (06322-2066) which is about 4 miles from Deidesheim. I doubt very much whether we could have found anything much closer and we shall have to rely on Embassy transport, of which we shall have enough. The cost per room per night will be not more than DM 110 depending on the size of the room - all are modern and well appointed although some have a shower rather than a bath. The hotel has its own indoor swimming pool. HMG is expected to meet the costs.

5. Communications. All rooms in the Deidesheimer Hof have one telephone with outgoing international direct dialling facility. Additional portable telephones linked to the hotel system will be provided as necessary. Incoming calls have however to come through the hotel switchboard. It would be a major task to install direct lines for incoming calls for such a short time. The Germans hope that we can accept this arrangement - they could provide an officer to "monitor" the hotel operator (a member of the owner's family) if necessary. All telephone charges will be paid by the Federal Government.

6. I am in touch direct with COI about their circuit requirements.

7. Transport. Apart from the Prime Minister, Mr Powell and the No.10 detectives, the British "team" will travel by Embassy car. This should pose no problems on the day of the visit since virtually all the items on the programme in which we are involved are within walking distance of each other. (The centre of Deidesheim itself will be closed to traffic as and when necessary.)

8. Dress. As the meeting is taking place in a small country town on a holiday Sunday, the Chancellor and his delegation will dress "informally" - light coloured suit or tweeds. The short walk from the town hall to the hotel involves two short stretches of reasonably smooth cobblestones. "Sensible" shoes may well be necessary for the sightseeing trip.

9. Food and Drink. The lunch is likely to consist of dishes typical of the Rheinland-Pfalz region with pork featuring in the main course. Deidesheim is justifiably proud of its (white) wines. The hotel has its own vineyards, cellar and lable. All the wines served at the lunch (including aperitifs) will be from the hotel's stocks and are likely to include the 1979 (10th Anniversary) and 1982 (Kohl's taking office) vintages. The local authorities are keen that the visit "puts Deidesheim on the map", especially in UK wine circles.

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10. Gifts. I am afraid that I do not share Andrew's enthusiasm for a return gift of English wine, no matter how good it is. My recollection is that at their Summit meeting in February, the Prime Minister gave the Chancellor a set of crystal (whisky) glasses. A matching set of (white) wine glasses might be appropriate. Andrew will be in touch with you about other gifts. In my view these can be limited to two or three framed photographs (medium) and half a dozen unframed.

11. Hotel. The hotel and its restaurant, which is used regularly for VIP visits, will be open to the public throughout the visit. The German security authorities are confident of their control measures. Journalists will have a separate entrance to the Press Centre with access to the hotel itself locked off.

12. Office Equipment. As Andrew indicated in his letter of 14 April, all is in hand and the hotel owner is aware of what we shall want to install. It may not however be possible to do this until the Sunday morning. But there should be enough time for this.

13. Andrew is back in Bonn tomorrow (25th). In the meantime please telephone me with any queries.

14. I should be grateful if you would distribute copies of this letter as necessary in Whitehall.

D M Bell
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Mr NODIE C.I.
Mr Uden

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DEIDESHEIM

HOTEL DEIDESHEIMER HOF

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"Die Deutsche Weinstrasse" means "German Wine Road" and is written on the signposts leading through a string of unpretentious wine-producing villages set amidst the vineyards of the Palatinate. Ambling from village to village, with stops for wine tasting at taverns and open-to-visit vineyards, is great fun. A most appropriate base for such pursuits is a charming country inn, the Deidesheimer Hof owned by the Hahn Wine family. Occupying a corner of the village square, the hotel has a formal appearance, for this was once a Bishop's residence. The inside is all country warmth and good cheer. The informal dining room - my favorite room - is hung with gay garlands of bread sculptures and wine jugs; the furniture is rustic pine and the food simple and delicious. As you might expect, there are many cozy spots where you can sit and consume wine - the cavernous cellar, the dark beamed bar or, better still, the flower decked terrace that spills into the cobblestoned square in front of the hotel. The bedrooms come in all shapes and sizes; most are furnished in a very pleasing country modern decor. Deidesheim's wine festival takes place during the second week of August.

HOTEL DEIDESHEIMER HOF

Owner: Family Hahn

6705 Deidesheim, Germany

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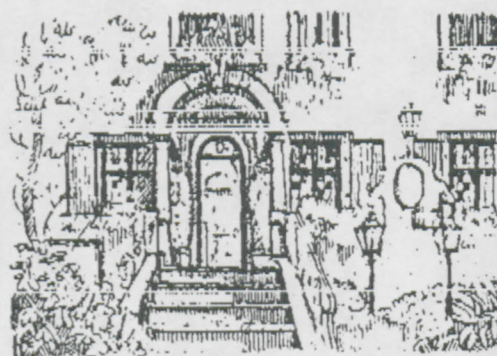
26 Rooms - Moderate

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MIPT: PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO DEIDESHEIM, 30 APRIL: PRESS
ARRANGEMENTS

1. AS A RESULT OF THE RECONNAISSANCE VISIT TO DEIDESHEIM THE
FOLLOWING ARE THE AGREED ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PRESS COVERING THE
PRIME MINISTER'S TALKS WITH CHANCELLOR KOHL.

(I) THE VISIT WILL BE ANNOUNCED SIMULTANEOUSLY AT LUNCHTIME ON
MONDAY 24 APRIL IN LONDON AND BONN. ACCORDING TO DR NEUER THIS HAS
ALREADY BEEN AGREED WITH NUMBER 10. THE STATEMENT WILL GIVE THE
LOCATION OF THE TALKS BUT NO FURTHER DETAILS E.G. TIMINGS.
JOURNALISTS WISHING TO TRAVEL TO DEIDESHEIM WILL BE GIVEN MORE
DETAIL, NOT FOR PUBLICATION.

(II) FACILITIES. A PRESS CENTRE WILL BE SET-UP IN THE CONVERTED WINE
CELLARS OF THE DEIDEHEIMER HOF HOTEL WHERE THE TALKS TAKE PLACE.
THERE WILL BE A SEPARATE STREET ACCESS TO THE CENTRE, WHICH WILL
PROVIDE FULL FACILITIES INCLUDING ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEFAX
POINTS, LUNCH ETC. TELEPHONE CALLS WILL HAVE TO BE PAID FOR.

(III) IT BEING A HOLIDAY WEEKEND, HOTEL ACCOMMODATION IN THE AREA IS
VIRTUALLY UNOBTAINABLE. VISITING JOURNALISTS MAY HAVE TO STAY IN
LUDWIGSHAFEN OR SPEYER AND HIRE CARS.

2. THE PRESS PROGRAMME IS:

1130 ARRIVE DEIDESHEIM TOWN HALL:
OUTSIDE PHOTO FACILITY.
GOLDEN BOOK CEREMONY:
POOL PHOTO AND TV FACILITY.

1140 ARRIVE HOTEL:
OUTSIDE PHOTO/TV FACILITY.

1145 START OF TALKS:
PHOTO CALL ONE PLUS ONE.
ONE TV (GERMAN POOLED).

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1500 MEETING WITH PRESS (THE GERMANS ARE ANXIOUS NOT TO DESCRIBE IT AS A FORMAL PRESS CONFERENCE) IN HOTEL ROOM FOR ABOUT 70 JOURNALISTS/PHOTOGRAPHERS.

3. THERE WILL BE NO (NO) PRESS FACILITIES ON ARRIVAL, DEPARTURE OR DURING SIGHTSEEING - THE LOCATIONS OF WHICH ARE NOT BEING ANNOUNCED HERE. THE MEDIA PROGRAMME ENDS WITH THE MEETING WITH THE PRESS.

4. ACCREDITATION APPLICATIONS CAN BE MADE TO THE FEDERAL PRESS OFFICE IN BONN BEFORE 1600 TUESDAY 25 APRIL OR AT THE PRESS CENTRE IN DEIDESHEIM ON THE MORNING OF 30 APRIL FROM 1000.

5. GRATEFUL EARLY INDICATION OF LIKELY NUMBERS COMING FROM THE UK.

6. FCO PLEASE ADVANCE TO PS/NUMBER 10, PRESS ADVISER/NUMBER 10, CONFERENCE SECTION PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT, WED, NEWS DEPARTMENT AND RESIDENT CLERK.

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NOTE FOR FILE

The interpreter for the talks with Chancellor Kohl on 30 April is called Frau Dorothee Kaltenbach.

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20 April 1989

~~CHARLES~~

Caroline Gibson from FCO protocol sent over the attached which she has just received from Bonn.

She has yet to take any action on it and is going to consult Carole Edwards re gifts.

However she thought you would be interested to see how things are progressing.

Liz.

LIZ LAMBERT
14 April 1989

K.I.

Wets all this
about the size of
delegation? We
are only 17, we
Ferry & you? Mrs
smaller than the German
delegation CM