

PRIME MINISTER

ANGLO-GERMAN SUMMIT

You have agreed to attend the Königswinter dinner on the first evening of the 40th anniversary conference, to be held in Cambridge on Thursday 29 March next year. Chancellor Kohl has also agreed to attend.

It is now proposed that the next Anglo-German Summit should be held to coincide with this event, either in London or in Cambridge. In normal circumstances, the least disruptive day would be Friday 30 March in Cambridge, finishing after lunch. The great drawback is that you have to speak at the Central Council on 31 March, and you won't want to be completely tied up the day before.

The alternative might be to have Cabinet earlier in the week, and hold the Summit in Cambridge on Thursday 29 March, ending with the Königswinter dinner. That would not lose you too much speech time - given that you would normally be tied up on a Thursday anyway with Cabinet and Questions. Amanda would try to block off plenty of time earlier in the week for the speech, and would keep the Friday entirely free.

Agree to devote 29 March to the Anglo-German Summit and the Königswinter Conference in Cambridge?

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3 July 1989

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1. *House of Commons would be very critical of that.*

Suggest Kohl & other dinner on Thursday evening.

Bedford in London Friday morning ending with lunch.

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Charles

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are no previous papers
on the 1990 Anglo-German
Summit.

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Are you sure we
have no correspondence
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Anglo-German Summit, 1990

Thursday Sir Oliver Wright has written to the Foreign Secretary about next year's Königswinter Conference and the possibility of involving the Duke of Edinburgh in his capacity as Chancellor of Cambridge University. The Conference will be the 40th, and will be held (as it always is when the UK hosts) at St Catherine's College, Cambridge. Sir Oliver Wright says that the Prime Minister and Chancellor Kohl have already agreed to attend the Königswinter Dinner on the first evening of the conference, 29 March. I should be grateful to know whether the date is pencilled into the Prime Minister's diary and that we may plan on holding the Anglo-German Summit during the day of 29 March.

The Foreign Secretary is attracted to Sir Oliver Wright's suggestion that the Duke of Edinburgh should be asked to preside over the reception which the University traditionally gives for the members of the Königswinter Conference. We will pursue this with the Palace.

There would appear to be three main options for the Summit:

- a) to hold it in London and then transfer to Cambridge for the Königswinter Dinner;
- b) to hold it in Cambridge; or
- c) some combination of the two, eg talks etc in London and the more public events in and around Cambridge.

There are practical advantages to holding the Summit in London, such as easier transport and communications. But, if it can be done, there is much to be said for holding the Summit, as well as Königswinter, in Cambridge, taking advantage of the more unusual and intimate atmosphere of a

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Cambridge College. This would be an opportunity to show the Chancellor some impressive recent achievements such as the Cambridge Science Park and the new Business Park as well as some of the more traditional Cambridge sights. Cambridge would be out of term-time.

There is no need for a decision either way at this stage. Unless you feel that one or other option is not worth pursuing we will explore the practicalities of them all and report back in due course.

I am copying this letter to Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

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