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From the Private Secretary

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ANGLO-GERMAN SUMMIT

Thank you for your letter of 8 January about events to entertain Chancellor Kohl in the margins of the Anglo-German Summit. I think the Prime Minister's preference would be a visit to the British Antarctic Survey, together with a walkabout and a meeting with young dons and students. This should still leave time for attendance at the pre-dinner reception for the Konigswinter participants. I shall be grateful if you could begin planning on this basis. I do not think the Prime Minister would want a separate meeting with Chancellor Kohl that evening.

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This sets out some ideas for entertaining Kohl in Cambridge. I would have thought (A) or (B) plus C & D would make a good programme. Agree?

Anglo-German Summit

Thank you for your letter of 21 December. We have identified the following possibilities for events in the margins of the Anglo-German Summit which might give Chancellor Kohl pleasure:

- (A) - a tour of the Cavendish laboratory (which is well used to receiving foreign visitors and can lay on an impressive show of world-class British science);
- (B) - perhaps as an add-on to the Cavendish laboratory: a visit to the Newton relics in Trinity College library. The library also contains impressive early German manuscripts;
- (C) - the British Antarctic Survey or the Scott Polar Institute (your idea). The BAS would lay on an impressive display. Kohl's personal interest in environmental issues is on the vague side but he is fully alive to their political significance. BAS's work on the ozone layer should therefore grab his attention. The Scott Polar Institute, though impressive, might be of less direct interest to Kohl;
- (D) - a visit to the Pepys library (Magdalen). This houses Pepy's diaries and his library exactly as bequeathed. It includes Pepy's collection of Rembrandt and other prints. The library is well used to entertaining foreign visitors who generally come out amused. Could only take a small (?max 10) party;
- (E) - a walkabout: Kohl likes to spend time exploring on foot during his foreign trips. Cambridge lends itself to that. A walk would pose obvious security problems but would be presentationally effective;
- (F) - hospitality: (as you suggest) A meeting with young Dons and students, including German students (of whom several are sponsored by the FCO). The current Professor of German, Dr Paulin, is a former librarian of Trinity. This could perhaps be combined with a visit to Trinity College library.

There is a reception at St Catherine's at 1915 hrs for the Konigswinter participants. There should be a particularly impressive turn-out this year. The Prime Minister and

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Chancellor Kohl may like to take this opportunity to see rather more of them than the dinner will allow. Any meeting with Dons/students would best be kept separate.

/ I enclose an illustrative programme with two options. On balance the BAS looks the best bet to us. This could be combined with a walkabout and a meeting with Dons/students etc, perhaps in Trinity library. We have not yet approached any of the institutions concerned.

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ILLUSTRATIVE PROGRAMME FOR CAMBRIDGE: 29 MARCH

A		B
15 15	Kohl lands (? Cambridge)	1615
15 45	Prime Minister and Kohl meet at Cambridge	1645
1600	Walkabout	-
1630	Visit [BAS, Cavendish etc]	1700
1745	<u>either</u> : Trinity College: view Newton memorabilia etc. Meet Dons, students. <u>or</u> : first tete a tete meeting	1800
1845	Change/rest at St. Catherine's	1845
1915	Reception to meet Konigswinter participants	1915
2000	Dinner	2000
2230?	Leave for London	2230

Germany - Ch Kohl's visit Pk-10.

