

PRIME MINISTER

MEETING AT CHEQUERS, 24 MARCH

You are holding a seminar at Chequers on Saturday to talk about Germany.

Participants

Those attending are:

Foreign Secretary
Professor Gordon Craig
Professor Fritz Stern
Lord Dacre
George Urban
Professor Norman Stone
Timothy Garton-Ash
Charles Powell

Professor Craig is now, I believe, in his eighties but has flown specially from San Francisco for the meeting. Professor Fritz Stern is from Columbia University of New York (and of German origin, a point you will want to bear in mind). Lord Dacre, Norman Stone and George Urban need no introduction. Timothy Garton-Ash was foreign editor of the Spectator and is now a Fellow of Sir Antony's, Oxford. he is an expert on Germany and Central Europe.

Programme

The participants are due to arrive at 1230 for drinks and lunch. You will probably want to hold the afternoon session upstairs - I suggest round the table, so that we do not all go fast asleep! You might aim to bring the meeting to a close around 1700.

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Agenda

I attach the letter which I have sent to all participants, setting out the sort of questions which we might cover. It could serve as an agenda, although by no means exclusive.

Background

You have the books by Craig and Stern. You will want to have in mind, as one of the purposes of the seminar, the Konigswinter Conference and your speech there (which is also in the box).

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