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Dear Charles,

Tim Minister
of the 2+4 meet in
London in November, it
might be useful to have
bilaterals with

London 2+4 Ministerial Meeting

We are due to host a one-day ministerial meeting of the 2+4 in November. This may be the final 2+4 meeting. The Americans are looking at the first week in October for the meeting in Washington. We need to aim for a date for the London meeting roughly one month later, allowing an intervening period for preparatory meetings.

The QEII Centre is available on Friday 2 November and the Foreign Secretary proposes to suggest that date when he sees his colleagues in Paris tomorrow.

There is no need for the Prime Minister to be involved and no pattern has so far emerged. When the 2+4 met in Berlin, the Foreign Ministers called briefly on Prime Minister de Maiziere. There was no call on Chancellor Kohl at the previous meeting and no meeting with President Mitterrand is planned tomorrow in Paris.

Perhaps you would let me know if the Prime Minister will wish to have bilaterals with eg Mr Baker and Mr Shevardnadze.

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From the Private Secretary

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LONDON 2+4 MINISTERIAL MEETING

Thank you for your letter of 16 July about the 2+4 Ministerial Meeting in London in early November (assuming that is still necessary).

The Prime Minister would in principle like to see both Secretary Baker and Mr. Shevardnadze at that time.

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