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6 September 1983

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Prime Minister
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- 1) Mr ^{MS}Scholar
2) Prime Minister:

I understand that Mr Parkinson
has in mind a presentation lasting
2 1/2 hours. Do you wish us
to arrange one as proposed?

Dear Tim

PRESENTATION ON AEROSPACE

There are a number of important funding issues in the aerospace field which are likely to require consideration by Ministers collectively over the coming months. On the civil side the proposed development programmes are mostly international and include the A320 (Airbus Industrie's 150 seat aircraft projects), the BAe Advance Turboprop (a development of their existing small 748 airliner), the RTM 322 helicopter engine (a Rolls-Royce/Turbomeca (Fr) project, with civil as well as military applications), and the 2500 aero-engine designed to power the A320 and similar aircraft (a Rolls-Royce/Pratt and Whitney project also involving the Japanese, Germans and Italians).

2 My Secretary of State therefore believes that the Prime Minister would find helpful early presentations by BAe and Rolls-Royce which would give a broad overview of the aerospace industry and thus provide the context in which to consider particular projects. On the Rolls-Royce side, Sir William Duncan will be able to present to the Prime Minister the results of his fundamental review of strategy.

3 In order to keep the two presentations to manageable proportions we would suggest they concentrate on the civil side of the industry, although the importance of several defence projects to both companies is such that it would be misleading if the defence side were to be completely excluded. We therefore propose that BAe and then Rolls-Royce should each provide an overview of its business prospects and its product strategy and then highlight the main civil funding issues foreseen over the coming months.

4 My Secretary of State is clear that such presentations would between them require a full afternoon if there is to be adequate time for questions. I understand that you have provisionally set aside time on 16 November for this purpose. We have checked that Sir William Duncan and Sir Austin Pearce could be available on that date.



5 I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister would wish to receive presentations of this kind. If so, my Secretary of State suggests that the Chancellor (or the Chief Secretary), the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and the Minister for Defence Procurement might also be invited, together with an Employment Minister if wished.

Yours ever
Stephen Nicklen

STEPHEN NICKLEN
Private Secretary

28 SEP 1983





10 DOWNING STREET

CF: I've agreed
to add Mr Edwards
to the list.

8/11

David:

British Aerospace
Presentation, 16 Nov.

Re. attendance,
Welsh Office think
that they should
make an input! Could
you please ring
Karen Stephens.

Fed. 2223.
In Nicholas Edwards Office.

Susan.
T.U.

PRIME MINISTER

→ CC Mr Taylor

File please

BRITISH AEROSPACE/ROLLS ROYCE PRESENTATION

British Aerospace and Rolls Royce will be making a combined presentation to you on the aerospace industry on the afternoon of Wednesday, 16 November.

Since you will be giving lunch for the Prime Minister of Yugoslavia that day, and there is also a reception in the evening for Area Chairmen and National Union Officers, plus wives, it might be most convenient, if you agree, for the presentation to take place in the Cabinet Room.

Content for me to arrange this?

DMB

Yes mb

4 November, 1983



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20 September 1983

Dear Tim,

Thank you for your letter of 12 September, confirming arrangements for a presentation on aerospace from 3.30 pm on 16 November. My Secretary of State would like to attend.

I am copying this letter to Steve Nicklen (DTI), Judith Simpson (Treasury), Roger Bone (FCO) and Simon Lowe (Defence).

Yours sincerely,

Peter Smith

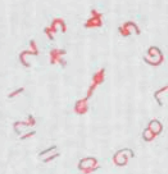
PETER SMITH
Private Secretary

Aerospace Presentation

Sept 03



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Note for file.

Attendance for Presentation on
Aerospace 16/11/83 15.30 - 16.00 hrs.

(see TF to DTI 12/9/83)

- Margaret O'Mara confirmed that Ch/Ex will attend.
- FCS (see FCO to TF 26/9)
- S/S Defence has nominated M/S Defence Procurement (Pattie)
(see MOD to TF 21/9)
- Di Modgesan confirmed S/S Employment will attend.

Wend
27/9.



cc FM

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

26 September 1983

See Tim. In diary LHM 28/9

Presentation on Aerospace

Thank you for your letter of 12 September confirming that the Prime Minister has set aside the afternoon of 16 November for the presentation by British Aerospace and Rolls Royce. The Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary would like to attend.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Stephen Nicklen (DTI), Judith Simpson (Treasury), Simon Lowe (MOD) and Barnaby Shaw (Department of Employment).

*See in
R B Bone*

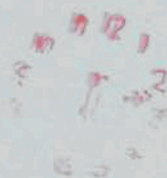
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AEROSPACE : Presentation Sept. 83



26 SEP 1983





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21st September 1983

Dear Tim, Wm 21/9

Thank you for sending Simon Lowe a copy of your letter to Steve Nicklen of 12th September about the proposed presentation by British Aerospace and Rolls Royce. The Secretary of State has nominated the Minister of State for Defence Procurement, Mr Geoffrey Pattie, as the Defence Minister he wishes to attend the presentation.

*Yours ever
Wendy*

(W ANDERTON) (MISS)
Private Secretary

T Flesher Esq

AEROSPACE: Presentation on Aerospace

Sept 83





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Mr Mount

We spoke. Less satisfactory
than I thought.

MLS 15/9

Loose

We should return this
for now, but will need to
refer again in a few
days' time.

Ry 20/9.



10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

12 September 1983

B/F

Thank you for your letter of 6 September about the proposed presentation of aerospace by British Aerospace and Rolls Royce. The Prime Minister has agreed to set aside a time for such a presentation and I can now confirm that we have allocated 1530 to 1800 hours on 16 November for this purpose. I have drawn the timing of the presentation to the attention of the offices of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, the Secretary of State for Defence and the Secretary of State for Employment, with the request that they consider the possibility of attendance of their Ministers. I should be grateful if they could let me know details of attendance in due course.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Judith Simpson (H.M. Treasury), John Holmes (Foreign and Commonwealth Office), Simon Lowe (Ministry of Defence) and Barnaby Shaw (Department of Employment).

TIMOTHY FLESHER

Steve Nicklen, Esq.,
Department of Trade and Industry.

- see O/C to DB 7/4

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