

Sir John Leahy.I am giving the Prime Minister
a note to take to Goa.

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FROM: Sir John Leahy
DATE: 22 November 1983

Mr Coles ✓

CC: PUS
Private Secretary

BILATERAL MEETING WITH PRESIDENT JAWARA (THE GAMBIA)

1. In your letter of 16 November to Mr Ricketts about the Prime Minister's bilateral meetings at CHOGM you excluded President Jawara from the list of those people to whom the Prime Minister would speak privately. There are two reasons why I would like to suggest that the Prime Minister should be asked to reconsider this:
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- a) The Gambia was one of the 7 countries which voted with us against the recent Argentine resolution at the UN.
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- b) At Mr Flesher's suggestion (his letter of 1 September) we told President Jawara that as the Prime Minister could not see him in September as he had requested, the best time for a meeting would be at CHOGM. President Jawara will, therefore, be disappointed if he does not get a few minutes tête-à-tête with the Prime Minister.
2. Perhaps the Prime Minister could take President Jawara aside at some stage, either in GOA or at a lunch, and thank him for The Gambia's voting on our side over the Falklands for the second year running.

John Leahy

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