

MR. HATFIELD
CABINET OFFICE

I attach a minute from John Coles to Sir Robert Armstrong on return about his conversation with Monsieur Attali. The Prime Minister was aware of this conversation before she departed for Athens.

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5 December 1982

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From the Private Secretary

MR. HATFIELD
CABINET OFFICE

Economic Summit 1984

The Prime Minister has seen Sir Robert Armstrong's minute of 28 November to John Coles about arrangements for the 1984 Economic Summit.

The Prime Minister has confirmed that she will wish to greet arriving Heads of State or Government in Kensington Gardens. She would be content for them to be greeted at Heathrow by the Foreign Secretary or another senior Minister. The Prime Minister agrees that there should be a Guard of Honour and a band at the arrival at Kensington Gardens. She has asked whether it might be possible to have a small marquee, for coffee for those who are waiting and for shelter if it rains.

As regards the venue for The Queen's banquet, the Prime Minister is inclined to the view that in all the circumstances Buckingham Palace would be much easier. As regards dinner on Saturday 9 June, the Prime Minister would like this to be held in Downing Street and Carlton Gardens.

The Prime Minister agrees with Sir Robert Armstrong that the best title is "The London Economic Summit".

MR. D. BARCLAY

5 December 1983

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From the Principal Private Secretary

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG (on return)

Economic
Monsieur Jacques Attali telephoned me today to say that, whereas President Mitterrand did not wish to withdraw his agreement to having the European Summit before the European Elections next year, it was quite impossible for him to manage 10 June, on which he had 'a national engagement'. He would be able to manage 8/9 June.

He wanted the Prime Minister to be aware of this before she met President Mitterrand in Athens

P. E. BOUTLER

2 December 1983



10 DOWNING STREET

PRIME MINISTER

You may wish to see the
minute below.

A.S.C.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'MS', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

2 December 1983

GR : please send
minute



10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

Economic Summit

This is to record that the Prime Minister told you on 29 November of a short conversation which she had had with Mr. Hawke about the next Economic Summit. The French had suggested to him that Australia should participate. The Prime Minister said no more than that she would enquire into this idea and let Mr. Hawke have her reactions. But when describing this conversation to us she said that in her view it would not be right for Australia to participate in the Summit.

I am copying this minute to Mr. Fall (Foreign and Commonwealth Office) and Mr. Kerr (HM Treasury).

A. J. Cole.

29 November 1983

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TO IMMEDIATE FCO
 TEL NUMBER 987 OF NOVEMBER 29
 AND TO IMMEDIATE CANBERRA.

A.F.C. $\frac{20}{a}$ ECONOMIC SUMMIT 1984.

1. MR HAWKE TOLD THE PRIME MINISTER IN THE MARGINS OF CHOGM THIS MORNING THAT PRESIDENT MITTERAND HAD SUGGESTED THAT AUSTRALIA SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF COUNTRIES REPRESENTED AT THE 1984 SUMMIT OF THE INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES IN LONDON. MR HAWKE SAID THAT HE HAD CONSULTED ONE OTHER COUNTRY, BUT THE REACTION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN GUARDED.
2. THE PRIME MINISTERS REACTION WAS ALSO GUARDED, BUT SHE SAID THAT SHE WOULD THINK ABOUT IT. SHE DOUBTS WHETHER WE WANT TO INVITE AUSTRALIA. SHE DOES NOT FEEL THAT AUSTRALIA WOULD HAVE MUCH TO ADD TO THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT, AND SHE IS CONCIIOUS THAT, IF AUSTRALIA WERE ADDED, THERE WOULD BE OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE QUEUE.
3. THIS MAY BE RAISED WITH SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG DURING THE COURSE OF HIS VISIT TO CANBERRA AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT WEEK. HIS RECOLLECTION IS THAT THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THAT IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT AUSTRALIA SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT ECONOMIC SUMMITS. HE WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR BRIEFING (INCLUDING ANY PREVIOUS HISTORY) AND ADVICE TO REACH HIM AT THE HIGH COMMISSION IN CANBERRA BY 0900 LOCAL TIME ON MONDAY 5 DECEMBER.

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MR HANNAY

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Prime Minister.

Could you answer the questions in the margin? A.S.C. 30/4.

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MR COLES

Economic Summit 1984

I should like to take the Prime Minister's mind on four matters concerning the arrangements for the Economic Summit in London next summer.

Arrival Arrangements

2. Heads of State or Government will fly in to Heathrow during the afternoon of Friday 8 June. To bring each delegation in succession from Heathrow to Central London by road would present acute problems of traffic dislocation and security. It is therefore proposed to bring Heads of State or Government, accompanying Ministers and the principal delegation members from Heathrow to Central London by helicopter.

3. It would be ideal if they could be brought to the Horse Guards Parade, and greeted there with a guard of honour, but it looks as if that may not be practicable. The parade ground will be dressed for Trooping the Colour (the dress rehearsal of which will be on the morning of Saturday 9 June). Moreover the surface of loose stones, while ideal for getting a satisfactory crunch from the boots of marching guardsmen, is not good for helicopter landings: the down draught would blow the little stones about, and perhaps even into the faces of the welcoming party. So the helicopters will probably have to be brought into Kensington Gardens, whence delegations can proceed by car to their hotels or embassies.

4. I assume that the Prime Minister will wish to greet arriving Heads of State or Government in Kensington Gardens, rather than at Heathrow. In that case, will she be content for them to be greeted at Heathrow by the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary or another senior Cabinet Minister?

Agree?

Yes not

5. I assume that she will wish to have a guard of honour and a band at the arrival at Kensington Gardens.

Agree?

Yes not

Is it possible to have a small marquee put up - either for water for those who are waiting or for shelter if it pours with rain? not



The Queen's Banquet

6. The Prime Minister has agreed that The Queen should give her banquet on the evening of Sunday 10 June, after the final press conference. It is proposed that invitations should be sent to Heads of State or Government, accompanying Ministers and Personal Representatives. Other entertainment would be provided for other members of delegations.

7. I will now ask the Palace to take The Queen's pleasure about the venue for the banquet. The Prime Minister expressed the hope that it would be held at Windsor Castle. This may be marginally more inconvenient than Buckingham Palace for The Queen, because the household will not have moved down to Windsor for Ascot. But it could be done, and I share the Prime Minister's view that the banquet would be more special at Windsor. Have I the Prime Minister's authority to express her preference for Windsor, when I talk to the Palace about this? *See below*

Agree?

8. If the banquet is at Windsor, there will be the problem of getting the guests there. If they all go down individually, there will again be acute problems of traffic dislocation and security. I think that there are three possibilities:

- (1) to marshal all the guests into a single motorcade from some central point to Windsor;
- (2) to take the guests down by helicopter;
- (3) to take them from Paddington to Windsor in a special train.

I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister has any preference. I think that the idea of a special train has a good deal to commend it: it would be a short journey and refreshments could be served on the train. But guests would have to be got by car to Paddington station and from Windsor station up the hill to the Castle.

Preference?

*It seems that Buckingham Palace
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would be much easier
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Dinner on 9 June

9. As The Queen's banquet is to be on Sunday 10 June, dinner on Saturday 9 June will be available for informal "working" dinners, for Heads of State or Government, Foreign Ministers and Finance Ministers each sitting separately. It would of course be perfectly possible to give these dinners in Lancaster House (where those concerned will be having lunches on 9 and 10 June) or in 10 Downing Street, 1 Carlton Gardens and 11 Downing Street (or Admiralty House) (where those concerned will, on present plans, have dined the previous evening). If the Prime Minister wanted to introduce a little variety into the venues, we could perhaps take people into the City. For instance, Heads of State or Government could go to the Mansion House; Finance Ministers to the Bank of England; and Foreign Ministers to the Tower of London. If the Prime Minister did not think it appropriate to ask the Lord Mayor and the Governor to make the Mansion House and the Bank of England available, we could explore the possibility of using three of the Livery Company halls.

Preference?
Downing Street
-
Carlton Gardens

10. I should be glad to know whether the Prime Minister would like to hold the dinners on Saturday 9 June in Westminster or in the City of London; if in Westminster, whether in Lancaster House or in Downing Street and Carlton Gardens; if in the City, whether in the Mansion House, the Bank and the Tower, or in suitable Livery Company halls.

The Title of the Conference

11. We have to decide what formal title to give the conference.
12. Last time the United Kingdom hosted the Economic Summit, it was described as the Downing Street Economic Summit, though it has since been generally called the London Summit. The 1980 meeting was described as the Venice Economic Summit. In 1981 the Canadians called their Summit the Ottawa Economic Summit, though most of it took place at Montebello. Both the French and the Americans described the Versailles and Williamsburg meetings as the 1982 (1983) Summit of the Industrialised Nations.

The London Summit^{L5c}



13. So I think we have a choice, between:

Preferance?

- (a) the Lancaster House Economic Summit;
- (b) the London Economic Summit 1984;
- (c) the 1984 Summit of the Industrialised Nations.

14. My own preference is for (b), the London Economic Summit 1984.
But it is for the Prime Minister to decide.

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ROBERT ARMSTRONG

28 November 1983

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