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*From the Private Secretary*

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

Economic Summit

Thank you for your minute of 27 February.

① The Prime Minister has considered the outline programme for the Summit. She has asked whether the fact that there is a rehearsal for the Trooping of the Colour on the morning of Sunday, 9 June will cause difficulties for the Summit arrangements and, if so, how it is proposed that these difficulties be surmounted.

② We are also a little concerned that the closing press conference does not take place until 5.00 p.m. on 9 June, with the Prime Minister's own press conference taking place at 5.45. Mr. Ingham has pointed out that these timings are rather late for the Sunday press. Would it be possible to envisage holding the closing press conference at 3.30 p.m. or, at the latest, 4.00 p.m?

We have noted the requirement to offer bilateral meetings between the Prime Minister and the Summit participants. We shall consider how these can be fitted into the Prime Minister's diary and I shall let you have a further minute.

AJC

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