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Dear Mark,

PRIME MINISTER'S CRIME PREVENTION SEMINAR

The Home Secretary has asked me to pass on his views about the time allotted for the crime prevention seminar on 8 January. He would like the Prime Minister to know that he doubts whether the two hours which have been allowed will be enough, given the amount of business which it is hoped to cover and the number and distinction of the people attending.

As you know, it was envisaged originally that a full half day would be set aside for the seminar and we had planned accordingly. There are four separate areas under discussion: auto-crime, residential burglary, crime in the workplace and violent crime. The aim is to focus attention on practical measures which can be taken in these four areas. In the Home Secretary's view it is important to ensure that there is enough time for the discussion to develop to a point where such measures can be clearly identified and those attending can have a proper understanding of the part that they can play

X || I recognise that the Prime Minister's timetable is very tight but for these reasons the Home Secretary wonders whether more time could be found. At the very least, he wonders whether the time allocated for drinks at the conclusion of the seminar could be shortened so that a minimum of two and a half hours is devoted to the seminar itself. If it were possible to begin the seminar half an hour earlier, so that it ran from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., that would obviously be even better.

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