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MR POWELL

Tokyo Economic Summit

I understand that Mr Nakasone envisages that the first business to be taken by Heads of State or Government at their first formal meeting on the morning of Monday 5 May should be the two "political" declarations - the general declaration and the declaration on international terrorism.

2. He would then turn straight to economic issues. He envisages that the discussion would start with a tour de table, with a contribution from each Head of State or Government in turn, setting out briefly his or her view of the economic situation and prospects for his or her own country, and on the prospects for the world economy. He would like these contributions to be kept as short as possible - his Personal Representative mentioned five minutes each - so as to leave time for the tour de table to be followed by a more general exchange of views.

3. I expect that you will want to ask the Treasury to provide you with a speaking note for the Prime Minister's contribution to the tour de table.

4. I am sending copies of this minute to the Private Secretaries to the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary and the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

REA

ROBERT ARMSTRONG

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