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From the Private Secretary

SIR ROBERT ARMSTRONG

Bonn Economic Summit

The Prime Minister has considered your report on the meeting of Personal Representatives in Berlin on 15/17 February. She has a number of comments.

The Prime Minister is surprised to hear that we are being cautious on the launching of a new trade round in the GATT. Following her meeting with President Reagan on 20 February, she wishes us to be no less backward than the Federal Republic, the United States and Canada in supporting a new round and announcing a commitment to start it.

The Prime Minister wants you to work for the termination of the Working Group on Technology, Growth and Employment (TGE), in the light of the French Government's attitude towards other groups under the Summit's aegis. This means also that we should veto the proposal for a further study group on environmental measures when this is considered at the next meeting of Personal Representatives.

The Prime Minister thinks it pointless to say that European space policy is "equal" to American space policy when it patently is not.

Finally President Reagan told the Prime Minister that he would be launching a further initiative on co-operation against terrorism at the Bonn Economic Summit. The Prime Minister would in principle want to support this, indeed has told President Reagan that she would, subject to knowing more of the details.

I am sending copies of this minute to the Private Secretaries to the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Secretary of State for the Environment and the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

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Charles Powell

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