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From the Private Secretary

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Dear Tony,

VENICE ECONOMIC SUMMIT: BILATERAL WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN

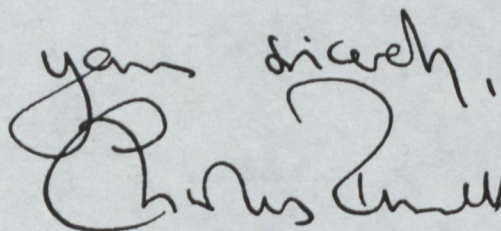
We have agreed with the Americans that the Prime Minister and President Reagan will have a bilateral on the morning of Tuesday 9 June at President Reagan's hotel, and then travel on together to the opening session of the Economic Summit. We have not yet fixed a precise start time, but it is likely to be about 0830. We have also told the Americans that the Prime Minister would like it to be a very restricted meeting. She will be accompanied only by a Private Secretary. No further action is required on this for the time being, although we shall need in due course to tell the Italians so that they can make the necessary arrangements for transport and security.

We shall also need to tell the Italians in due course of the Prime Minister's arrival and departure plans, but I would prefer to leave this for a few days yet.

The main subjects which the Prime Minister will want to pursue with the President are:

- the US economy and the deficit;
- the INF negotiations;
- Syria and terrorism;
- Arab/Israel; and
- any issues likely to arise on the Economic Summit final declaration

I should be grateful if briefing could be put in hand on these points.

Yours sincerely,

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