

PRIME MINISTER

SOUTH AFRICA

Robin Renwick, our Ambassador in South Africa, has suggested that in the wake of CHOGM he should seek an appointment with President Botha to try to get across a number of points. He has provided a draft of the instructions he would like to receive, which has been marginally modified by the Foreign Office. I think they are very good. Agree to instruct Mr. Renwick to speak as proposed?

CJP

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I don't think this is
 worth doing. There is only
 one point - and it isn't made
 we have not put any pressure
 on him regarding what his reaction
 would be. But he makes our task
 very difficult if he does nothing.
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