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From the Private Secretary

8 February 1990

ANGLO/ITALIAN SUMMIT: LONDON, 23 FEBRUARY 1990

Thank you for your letter of 7 February about the arrangements for the Anglo-Italian Summit. The Prime Minister will want her main session to be with Signor Andreotti alone, with just Vattani and me. This should run from 1000 until 1130. They should then be joined by Foreign Ministers and Ambassadors, but I think half an hour would suffice for this. We can have a pause at 1200 followed by a press conference at 1215 and lunch at 1300. The Prime Minister would like to keep the lunch small. On the Italian side that would mean Signor Andreotti, Signor De Michelis, Signor Vattani and the Italian Ambassador. On our side, in addition to the Prime Minister, it would include the Foreign Secretary, our Ambassador and me. There will also be two interpreters.

I note the possibility that Signor Andreotti will undertake some public event in the afternoon.

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7 February 1990

Dear Charles,

Anglo-Italian Summit, London: 23 February 1990

Thank you for your letter of 15 ^{Aug} January about the Anglo-Italian Summit on 23 February.

Participation

The Italians have provisionally named their delegation as follows:

Giulio Andreotti - President of the Council
Gianni De Michelis - Foreign Minister
Umberto Vattani - Diplomatic Adviser to Andreotti
Dr Bruno Bottai - Secretary-General MFA (PUS equivalent)
Boris Biancheri - Italian Ambassador, London
Pio Mastrobuoni - Head of Andreotti's Press Office
Carla Lonigro - Interpreter
The Political Director, Enzo Perlot, may also attend.

We assume that, as on previous occasions, at the tête-à-tête you will want just Heads of Government, and one senior adviser and interpreter on each side; and that for the plenary they will be joined by Foreign Ministers with Ambassadors only

Arrival

On present plans Andreotti will arrive at Heathrow at 0900 on 23 February. Mr Maude will greet him on arrival and escort him by car to central London.

Programme

/ A draft programme is attached.

Lunch

/ I enclose a suggested guest list for lunch at No 10. We would look after the rest of the Italian delegation.

/Press



Press Arrangements

FCO News Department are working on these in collaboration with your Press Office. About 35 Italian correspondents are expected to be involved, including 10-15 who are London-based. The Press Conference would be in No 12 Downing Street.

We have agreed in principle with the Italians on a joint announcement about the Summit at 1200 GMT on 15 February. The agreed text, for release here by your Press Office, is:

"The President of the Italian Council of Ministers, Signor Giulio Andreotti, accompanied by Foreign Minister Signor Gianni de Michelis, will visit London on 23 February at the invitation of the Prime Minister for bilateral summit talks".

Interpreters

Andreotti will bring his own interpreter. The other Italians all speak good English. Simultaneous translation will be required only at the Press Conference. At the lunch, where only brief toasts from each Head of Government are expected, consecutive translation should suffice (with whispering interpretation for table conversation).

We will provide an interpreter for the Prime Minister. We shall be in touch about a possible candidate.

Departure

Andreotti's precise departure time is not yet known. A special representative of the Foreign Secretary will see him off at Heathrow.

Public Event

There are no plans at present for any public event in addition to the talks. You mentioned the possibility of Biancheri giving a dinner for Andreotti on the eve of the Summit; but on present plans he will fly to London on the day. We have looked at various possibilities for private activities not involving the Prime Minister on the afternoon of 23 February, and are asking the Lord President (who knows Signor Andreotti well) if he would like to escort Andreotti to the Exhibition of pre-1400 Italian Art at the National Gallery or an exhibition of art at the Italian Academy of Art.

John ever,
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ANGLO-ITALIAN SUMMIT, LONDON: 23 FEBRUARY 1990

PROGRAMME

- 0900 Arrive Heathrow via special DC9 Flight. Greeted in South Wing and escorted by car to central London by either Mr Hurd or Mr Maude
- 1000 Photocall at No 10 followed by tête-à-tête talks between Heads of Government (Mr Hurd and Signor De Michelis will have separate talks in FCO)
- 1130 Heads of Government joined by Foreign Ministers and Ambassadors for plenary session.
- 1230 Joint press conference (No 12 Downing Street)
- 1315 Working Lunch
[Separate lunch for Senior Officials at FCO]
- [1600] Special DC9 Flight to Rome

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7 February 1990

Dear Tim,

Anglo-Italian Summit

The Italian Prime Minister, Signor Andreotti, will be visiting London on 23 February for a bilateral Summit meeting with the Prime Minister.

The Summit will end after the usual lunch at Number 10. No further elements to the programme have been planned. Andreotti should be free by about 1445. Since the Lord President is an old friend of Andreotti, it occurs to us that Andreotti might like to call on him after the Summit. Another possibility is that the Lord President might accompany Andreotti to some outside event, such as a visit to an exhibition at the Italian Academy of Arts in London or to the exhibition of pre-1400 Italian Art at the National Gallery.

I would be grateful to know whether the Lord President would be willing to see Andreotti and/or to accompany him to an exhibition. If so we would explore the idea with Andreotti's office.

I am copying this letter to Charles Powell (Number 10).

Yours ever,

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Thank you for the copy of your letter of 15 January to Charles Powell.

As discussed with your officials, my Secretary of State had a long session recently with Signor Ruggiero (who in any case has no responsibilities for the Single Market) and there is no pressing need for another one. I understand the post are now being consulted: although my Secretary of State has other engagements for that day, he would be able and willing to attend if the Italians clearly wish to include discussions of issues in his areas of responsibility. We can discuss further in the light of the post's advice.

I am copying this letter to Charles Powell (Number 10), Brian Hawtin (MoD), Colin Walters (Home Office) and Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever

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Dear Richard,

ANGLO/ITALIAN SUMMIT, LONDON: 23 FEBRUARY

Thank you for copying me your letter of 15 January to Charles Powell.

This is to confirm the message I gave by telephone earlier today to your office that, owing to pressure of work in the run-up to the Budget, the Chancellor regrets that he will not be able to participate in the arrangements for this bilateral summit.

I am copying this letter to Charles Powell (No.10), Brian Hawtin (MoD), Colin Walters (Home Office), Neil Thornton (DTI) and Sonia Phippard (Cabinet Office).

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