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19 December 1985

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From the Private Secretary

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Dear Sir,

ANGLO-ITALIAN SUMMIT

Thank you for your letter of 18 December about the arrangements for the Anglo-Italian Summit.

MA 19/12

I am afraid that the Prime Minister is not willing to travel to Italy on the evening of 11 March. She is determined that these bilateral summits shall be confined to a single day, a policy we have now successfully implemented with France and Germany and she wishes to follow it in the case of Italy too. I must ask you, therefore, to explain to the Italian Government that the pressure of the Prime Minister's other engagements at that time unfortunately make it impossible for her to arrive before the morning of 12 March, though she is ready to make a very early start from London in order to enable her meetings to begin promptly. If in the circumstances the Italian Government conclude that it is not feasible to hold the summit in Florence but prefer it to be elsewhere where there is a major airport, she would quite understand.

The Prime Minister is content with the proposal to limit Ministerial attendance in the way set out in your letter.

I am copying this letter to Michael Stark (Cabinet Office).

*Yours sincerely,
Charles Powell*

(Charles Powell)

Len Appleyard, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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L V Appleyard Esq
Private Secretary to the
Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP
Foreign and Commonwealth Office
LONDON
SW1A 2AH

December 1985

WA 23/12

Dear Len

THE PRIME MINISTER'S FORWARD ENGAGEMENTS

My Secretary of State has seen a copy of your letter of 28 November to Mark Addison about engagements which the Prime Minister might undertake outside London over the next six months. Mr Younger has already written to Sir Geoffrey Howe about the possibility of holding the EUREKA conference in Edinburgh. He also wishes to endorse the proposal that the Anglo-German summit (or indeed the Anglo-Italian or Anglo-French summits) should be held outside London.

Mr Younger strongly agrees that by holding summits outside London advantage can be taken of local interest to convey better the importance of our relations with Europe; as far as those of us in Scotland (and Wales) are concerned it would also show that the summits are not just "Anglo"-European! Glasgow and Edinburgh are certainly potential locations. Communications with London and major European centres are good and both cities can provide venues for meetings and sufficient hotel accommodation for all those involved, directly or indirectly. Both Glasgow and Edinburgh would attract interest from the European press. We should certainly be able and willing to put our local knowledge at the disposal of the organisers of any summit.

Hear! Hear!
we should,
when possible,
use British

I am copying this letter to Mark Addison (No 10); Richard Mottram (Ministry of Defence); John Mogg (Department of Trade and Industry); Colin Williams (Welsh Office) and Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours sincerely
Robert Gordon

ROBERT GORDON
Private Secretary

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Yours etc,

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Private Secretary

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MA 18/00

FROM: D J M Dain
Western European Department

DATE: 17 December 1985

Private ~~Secretary~~cc: PS/Mr Rifkind
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 Mr Dece Thomas Mr Brauchwitz
 Mr Kenzie Mr Wall
 Mr Shepherd Planning Staff
 29 November 1985

From the Private Secretary

Mr Jones
 Mr Herbert

A telephone call to Rome, 1st etc, or this stage.
 Grateful if you wd take action WJ 29/11

Dear Colin,

Dr.
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OF 110800Z DECEMBER 85

FROM T L RICHARDSON ROME
FOR D J M DAIN ESQ. WED. FCO.

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Mr Herbert

Copy passed to
Mr Munro and

Mr Sims o.t.

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