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MR. INGHAM
MR. POWELL
MR. NORGROVE
MR. ADDISON
MRS. GAISMAN
MR. ALISON
MR. SHERBOURNE

DIARY MEETING: 23 FEBRUARY 1987

I attach an action note following today's diary meeting. I should be grateful if recipients would take the appropriate follow-up action, and the relevant papers are attached for the purpose.

PA

P.A. BEARPARK
23 February 1987

ACTION NOTE FOLLOWING DIARY MEETING ON 23 FEBRUARY 1987

1. OPENING OF WOOLWORTH HOLDINGS BRIXTON BRANCH
Regrets.
ACTION: PAB

2. RECEPTION FOR THE LOBBY
The Prime Minister asked that this be left until after her return from Moscow.
ACTION: BI

3. HANDOVER CEREMONY FOR PURCHASE OF CAPE CORNWALL
The Prime Minister agreed to do this, preferably as soon as possible.
ACTION: PAB

4. WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL RECEPTION FOR DRUG ABUSE
Regrets.
ACTION: PAB

5. LONDON MOZART PLAYERS CONCERT
Regrets.
ACTION: PAB

6. NATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT
The Prime Minister wished to attend this.
ACTION: TG

7. SUPPER FOR COUNCIL FOR BEAUTIFUL ISRAEL AND KEEP BRITAIN TIDY
The Prime Minister agreed to look in on this if possible.
ACTION: PAB

8. PRUDENTIAL CORPORATION PLC LUNCH
Regrets. The Prime Minister was, however, interested in the possibility of a more general lunch for insurance people at some stage.
ACTION: PAB

MEDIA BIDS - ACTION FOR PRESS OFFICE IN ALL CASES

1. MANCHESTER EVENING NEWS
Agreed.
2. VECKANS AFFARER
Regrets.
3. STAVANGER AFTENBLAD
Regrets.
4. "WOMAN'S OWN"
Agreed.
5. GLASGOW HERALD
To be reconsidered in due course.
6. "THE FARMERS NEWSREEL"
Regrets.
7. "7 DAYS WITH"
Regrets.
8. THE "AKHBAR-E-KHAWATEEN"
Agreed.
9. MOUNTBATTEN TRAINING (CARE)
Agreed.
10. "A WEEK IN POLITICS"
Regrets.
11. "AGENDA"
To be reconsidered in due course.
12. THE SUNDAY TIMES
Regrets.

13. BALTIMORE SUN
Regrets.

14. DAILY TELEGRAPH
Regrets.

PRIME MINISTER

cc Mr. Wicks
Mr. Ingham
Mr. Powell
Mr. Norgrove
Mr. Addison
Mrs. Gaisman
Mr. Alison
Mr. Sherbourne

DIARY MEETING: 23 FEBRUARY

I attach the list of items for discussion
at Monday's diary meeting.

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P A BEARPARK

20 February 1987

DIARY MEETING ON 23 FEBRUARY

1. Invitation from Woolworth Holdings to re-open their Brixton branch on 13, 18, 19, or 20 March.

Notes & Recommendations

Central Council is on 21 March. You will really need to keep as much time as possible free for the speech. 13 March you are in Wales.

2. We had originally pencilled in 1830-2000 on Monday 23 March as a reception for the Lobby. This will not now take place. However Bernard would still like to invite the Scottish editors to lunch or dinner on or before that date. The week of 23 March is a bad week for evening engagements in that there are two state banquets and you leave for Moscow at the end of the week. However, there is a gap at lunchtime on Wednesday 18 March. Would this be a possible alternative?
3. Handover ceremony for purchase of Cape Cornwall by Heinz for conservation purposes. Date between mid-March & early-April. Ceremony to take place either at No. 10 or National Trust HQ.

Notes & Recommendations

This sounds worthwhile. I suggest you do it at No. 10 to minimise the time required.

4. Invitation from Westminster City Council to a reception for their "Say No to Drugs Abuse" Campaign. In April?

Notes & Recommendations

You could call in at a Reception one evening en route elsewhere. The date would be fixed to suit you.

5. Invitation from the London Mozart Players to attend their sponsored concert at the Barbican on 14 April.

Notes & Recommendations

This is a Tuesday in the Easter recess.

6. Invitation from Sir David Lumsden, The National Youth Orchestra of Great Britain, to attend a concert on their 40th Anniversary at the Royal Albert Hall on 23 April.

Notes & Recommendations

A matter for you. This is a Thursday.

7. Invitation from Lady Porter to a buffet supper for the Council for Beautiful Israel and Keep Britain Tidy. End of June.

Notes & Recommendations

The preferred date is 23 June when you have an audience. Agree to look in thereafter?

8. Invitation from the Prudential Corporation plc to have lunch at the Prudential.

Notes & Recommendations

Regrets.

MEDIA BIDS

1. Manchester Evening News

Ian Craig, political editor of the paper, has asked to speak to you as part of a series of interviews on key election topics. The paper covers 60 constituencies in the north and has a circulation of over 320,000.

Recommendation

Agree?

2. Veckans Affarer

This is described as Scandinavia's "leading financial weekly" with a circulation of 44,000. The London correspondent has asked for an interview.

Recommendation

Decline?

3. Stavanger Aftenblad

This Norwegian newspaper is preparing a series of articles about women who have "opened political and social barriers in their home country" and has asked for an interview.

Recommendation

Decline?

4. "Woman's Own"

Andrew Duncan, who accompanied you on your visit to Yorkshire to write a descriptive piece for "Woman's Own", would like to follow this up with a short (half-hour) interview.

Recommendation

Agree?

5. Glasgow Herald

This morning newspaper, with a circulation of 117,000, has asked for an interview.

Recommendation

We strongly recommend you accept.

6. "The Farmers Newsreel"

A video company which produces 60 minute video news magazine programmes for free distribution to farmers has asked for an interview some time in the next four weeks. They want an hour of your time for a 5 or 6 minute item discussing the Government's current strategy for agriculture, the future policy for the rural environment and the long term plans for revitalising the EEC's CAP.

Recommendation

Pass to Mr Jopling?

7. "7 DAYS WITH"

Jacqueline Raoul-Duval, of Paris, who is to publish a series of books "7 Days With" has asked if you would be prepared to be one of the subjects. This would involve a writer shadowing you for a whole week.

Recommendation

Decline?

8. The "AKHBAR-E-KHAWATEEN"

This is a women's journal published from Karachi in Urdu and read by Pakistanis in the UK, USA, Canada, Middle East, Africa, Asia and the Far East. The editor has asked for a question and answer interview.

Recommendation

This is probably worth doing and could be timed to coincide the Prime Minister of Pakistan's visit to Britain at the beginning of April.

9. MOUNTBATTEN TRAINING (CARE)

They have asked for a few words of support to be included in their annual report.

Recommendation

As you are their Patron, you may wish to agree.

10. "A WEEK IN POLITICS"

This is a Channel 4 programme transmitted on Friday evenings. They have asked for an interview on the eve of your departure to Russia.

Recommendation

Decline?

11. "AGENDA"

This programme is transmitted on Sundays by TVS covering the area from Kent to Dorset. Brian Shallcross, their Parliamentary Editor, has asked for a 30 minute recorded interview to celebrate the programme's 100th edition on Sunday 29 March. Agenda has recently interviewed Dr Owen and Mr Kinnock. TVS say that they are receiving letters from viewers asking why "Agenda" has never spoken to you. Mr Shallcross says he has tried a number of times "through Central Office and No 10".

Recommendation

Agree, but that the interview takes place at some other time as you will be out of the country on 29 March?

12. THE SUNDAY TIMES

Sally Soames has asked if she can take some portrait photographs of you for use in The Sunday Times.

Recommendation

Agree?

13. BALTIMORE SUN

The paper's managing editor, foreign editor and ten foreign correspondents are to hold their annual editorial conference in London from 27-29 April and have asked to meet you.

Recommendation

Decline?

14. DAILY TELEGRAPH

Following Conrad Black's visit to your office last month, The Daily Telegraph has asked if you would open their West Ferry Road plant now that all the presses are in operation.

Recommendation

Publicity would be only in Daily Telegraph.
Decline?