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MR. HAMILTON ✓
MR. SHERBOURNE
MR. CATFORD

DIARY MEETING: MONDAY 21 DECEMBER 1987

I attach a 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.

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P. A. Bearpark

21 December 1987

ACTION POINTS FOLLOWING DIARY MEETING ON 21 DECEMBER 1987

1. Opening of Royal College of Physicians Building
Regrets.
Action: Mrs. Gaisman
2. Kennedy Memorial Trust
The Prime Minister confirmed that she would like to give this dinner, possibly on the evening of the Beating of the Retreat.
Action: Mrs. Gaisman
3. Tribute to Natan Scharansky
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark
4. Prom Praise at the Royal Albert Hall
Agreed.
Action: Mr. Catford
5. St. David's Day London Welsh Celebration Banquet
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark
6. Reception for Commonwealth Members of Parliament
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark
7. Esso's Centenary Dinner
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark
8. Open new TA Centre in Camberwell
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark
9. Dinner with the "Summer Node"
Regrets.
Action: Mr. Bearpark

10. Visit Youth Science Fortnight

Regrets, but the Prime Minister agreed to send a message.

Action: Miss Hole

11. Arab-British Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner

Regrets.

Action: Mr. Bearpark

12. Unionist Club Dinner

The Prime Minister did not wish to do this, nor did she indicate that she would do so in 1989.

Action: Miss Hole

MEDIA: Action by Press Office

The Prime Minister declined all the invitations, with the exception of the Wall Street Journal.

PRIME MINISTER

cc: Mr. Wicks
Mr. Powell
Mr. Norgrove
Mrs. Gaisman
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Sherbourne
Mr. Ingham
Mr. Perks

DIARY MEETING: MONDAY 21 DECEMBER 1987

Attached is the agenda for your diary meeting on Monday.

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18 December 1987

DIARY MEETING FOR MONDAY 21 DECEMBER 1987

1. Invitation through Sir Gordon Reece to open the newly restored building of the Royal College of Physicians in Regents Park next year.

Notes & Recommendations: We must look at the diary.

2. Dinner to be given for the Kennedy Memorial Trust at No. 10.

Notes & Recommendations: To be discussed - we must look at the diary.

3. Invitation to join in on tribute to Natan Scharansky at London Hilton on 31 January 1988.

Notes & Recommendations: Regrets. It is a Sunday.

4. Invitation from the Bishop of Chester to attend Prom Praise at the Royal Albert Hall on Saturday 13 February.

Notes & Recommendations: This is immediately after the re-arranged European Council. Do you really want to go?

5. Invitation to be Guest of Honour at St. David's Day London Welsh Celebration Banquet at Savoy Hotel on Tuesday 1 March 1988

Notes & Recommendations: You have an Audience.

6. Request from Peter Cobb of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association for PM to invite the 25 Commonwealth members of Parliament attending the 37th Parliamentary Seminar at Westminster (8-19 March) to No.10 for a reception.

Notes & Recommendations: Regret but suggest Foreign & Commonwealth Secretary.

7. Invitation from Sir Archibald Forster to celebratory dinner for Esso's Centenary at the Banqueting House on 21 April.

Notes & Recommendations: You are to address the Conservative Lobbyist Forum. Regrets.

8. Invitation from the Secretary of State for Defence to open the new TA Centre at Flodden Road, Camberwell some time after the beginning of May.

Notes & Recommendations: The Secretary of State for Defence has asked if you could do this.

9. Invitation via Sir Robert Armstrong to be guest of honour at a dinner with the "Summer Node" on Thursday 9 June.

Notes & Recommendations: You attended a reception for the Nodes this year. Regrets.

10. Invitation from Andrew Bowden, MP, Parliamentary Consultant of the London International Youth Science Fortnight to visit to the Youth Science Fortnight being held between 27 July and 10 August 1988.

Notes & Recommendations: Regrets but send message is usual

11. Invitation from Mr Al-Murdaris and Sir Richard Beaumont to be Guest of Honour and main speaker at the Arab-British Chamber of Commerce annual dinner on 20 October.

Notes & Recommendations: To be considered.

12. Invitation from the Unionist Club to Dinner on 23 March or 30 November 1988

Notes & Recommendations: These are both Wednesdays. Regret, but agree for 1989 if they can find a Thursday night?

MEDIA

MAN OF THE YEAR

Time magazine's 1987 "Man of the Year" is to be announced at the beginning of the New Year and CNN, in cooperation with Time, are producing a portrait of the person. CNN have told us, in confidence, that the award is virtually certain to go to Mr Gorbachev. Because of your relationship with Mr Gorbachev, which CNN describe as unique among Western leaders, they have asked if you would give them a 10 minute interview before Christmas.

Recommendation

CNN's programmes are transmitted internationally. This is another opportunity to back the INF agreement if you want to take it.

AGREE TO GIVE A SHORT INTERVIEW?

NBC WASHINGTON "MEET THE PRESS"

The above programme has asked if you would give them a 30 minute interview looking back at 1987 and forward to 1988 for a programme they were hoping to transmit on 27 December. I have explained the difficulty of such a timetable but they are so anxious to have you on the programme that they are prepared to record it after Christmas and transmit it early in January. The programme is networked across America.

Recommendation

The programme is chaired by NBC's White House correspondent Chris Wallace who is normally supported by two Press/media commentators. With your timetable between now and the New Year it would be difficult to fit in this interview.

DECLINE?

PRIVATE INVESTOR

This quality quarterly magazine with a circulation of 26,000 copies has asked for an interview with you before the end of February for their Spring edition which will be published in April.

Recommendation

That you decline the interview as this will be given before the Budget but the article will not appear until afterwards. You may, however, wish to appear in the summer edition.

DECLINE AN INTERVIEW IN FEBRUARY BUT AGREE TO ONE FOR THEIR SUMMER ISSUE?

FINANCIAL TIMES "MAN OF THE YEAR "

The Financial Times have made you "Man of the Year" and Malcolm Rutherford has asked if he can come in and have a short chat with you and take a special photograph of you.

Recommendation

AGREE TO A PHOTOGRAPH AND SHORT CHAT WITH YOU TOMORROW OR WEDNESDAY?

WALL STREET JOURNAL

The London Bureau Chief has asked if you would give the Wall Street Journal an interview towards the end of January as it is more than two years since you last spoke to them. This would be a wide-ranging interview covering East-West relations, the future security of Europe, the world economy, America's standing in the world and issues facing you in your third term.

Recommendation

They have put in two earlier requests this year but you have been unable to see them because of other pressures.

AGREE TO GIVE AN INTERVIEW?

PRIMA MAGAZINE

This magazine was launched a year ago and is now the biggest selling women's monthly magazine said to be read by a "wide cross section of women." They have asked for an interview to discuss education, health the environment and problems facing society today.

Recommendation

DECLINE?