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From the Private Secretary

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PRIME MINISTER'S BILATERAL MEETINGS DURING
THE LONDON ECONOMIC SUMMIT

You will have seen from Tim Flesher's minute of 25 May to Sir Robert Armstrong that the Prime Minister has agreed with the arrangements proposed in Sir Robert's minute of 23 May for her bilateral meetings with Summit participants. In general therefore, the Prime Minister will be accompanied at these meetings only by a Private Secretary (your letter of 24 May is relevant). However, in the case of the meeting with President Reagan, the Prime Minister wishes to see him alone, at least for the first half hour of the talks. I should be grateful if you would inform the United States Embassy of this (we had a telephone enquiry from Mr. Hopper) and suggest that the President might have a Private Secretary standing by in case the two Principals decide to have the latter part of their conversation recorded.

I am copying this letter to Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

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