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Economic Summit: Toronto 19-20 June 1988 *at F&C*

The Prime Minister has received two invitations to speak in Toronto at the time of the Economic Summit: one from Mr Conrad Black (Lyn Parker's letter of 13 August), and the other (just received by our High Commission) from the President of the Canadian Club of Toronto. The latter would be for a combined meeting with the Empire Club. (The Prime Minister addressed such a joint meeting in Toronto in 1983.)

The Foreign Secretary believes that there would be value in accepting one of these speaking engagements, but it would be risky to go firm on a dinner and major speaking engagement until the Summit timetable is more certain. An alternative would of course be for the Prime Minister to stay on an extra day in Canada for a bilateral visit.

We should welcome your guidance on her wishes: the Foreign Secretary would of course be glad to discuss the possibilities with her, if she would welcome further advice.

Yours ever

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