PRIME MINISTER

VISIT TO CANADA

You are to attend the Economic Summit in Toronto on 19-21 June and have agreed to pay an official visit to Ottowa on 22 June. The main reason is to help restore Mr. Mulroney's flagging fortunes.

The Canadians have proposed the following programme:

- formal arrival ceremony
- meeting and working lunch with Mr. Mulroney
- 1500: address to both Houses of Parliament (about 20 minutes)
- call on Leader of the Liberal Party
- call on Leader of New Democratic Party
- Press conference
- courtesy call on Governor
- overnight flight to London (for Cabinet, Questions and statement on Economic Summit).

The programme seems to me a maximum, given that it comes right after the Economic Summit and that you have to get back to London overnight. Indeed, I am inclined to say that you could dispense with calls on the Opposition Parties.

You will have two speeches to make in Canada:

 at Conrad Black's dinner on the evening of 21 June in Toronto. He has suggested an informal speech lasting about fifteen minutes covering your approach to economic

and social issues and the reasons for the success of 'Thatcherism'. He thinks it will go down very well with a largely business audience in Toronto. Something on the lines of your remarks in Dallas would do very well. You will need to make some comment about the Economic Summit which will just have ended;

- to the Canadian Parliament. I recall that Mr. Mulroney wanted you to deal with 'fundamentals' in economic affairs, defence and foreign policy. This will need to be a more formal speech, on which I propose to start work soon.

Are you content with this?

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