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From the Private Secretary

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ECONOMIC SUMMIT: POSSIBLE MEETING WITH THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO

I have seen a copy of Ottawa Telno 371 which recommends that the Prime Minister should receive the Premier of Ontario while she is in Toronto.

I am not at all convinced that this is sound advice. The Summit is an occasion for national governments not provincial ones. The Prime Minister has a great number of other engagements. Mr. Mulroney would certainly not want to see the Prime Minister boosting the Premier's standing. And of course the Prime Minister has already received Mr. Peterson, quite exceptionally, in London.

I am sure we should say that we hope the Premier will understand that the Prime Minister cannot on this occasion set up a separate meeting. She will have her work cut out with bilateral meetings with other Heads of Government.

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