

PRIME MINISTERLIAISON COMMITTEEDIARY TO NOVEMBER

I attach a diary up to and including October for consideration by the Liaison Committee. The more significant events are highlighted in capitals or by underlining. Leaving aside the possibility of a General Election, the following summarises the main features;

Economic

- EC Foreign Ministers informal meeting (Budget) - May 14-15;
- EC Foreign Affairs Council (Budget) - May 23-24;
- Your visit to Washington and Williamsburg Summit - May 26-30;
- European Council, Stuttgart (Budget) - June 6-7.

Political

- Government's 4th anniversary - tomorrow;
- Local elections - Thursday;
- Trade Unions for Labour Victory weekend conference - May 6-7;
- Cardiff NW writ - May 10;
- Council for Social Democracy, Aston University - May 14-15;
- General Elections: Italy (June); Thailand (June 12);
Nigerian Presidential (August 6); Argentine (October 30).
- Pope visits Poland - June 16-22;
- SDP Conference, Salford University - September 11-14;
- Liberal Party Conference, Harrogate - September 19-24;
- Labour Party Conference, Brighton - October 3-7;
- Conservative Party Conference, Blackpool - October 11-14.

Your Broadcasts/Interviews

- The Times (Julian Haviland) - for publication May 5;
- Newsweek (Anthony Clifton) - for publication May 10;
- Observer interview, second instalment - May 8;
- BBC Radio 4 'World This Weekend' - May 8;
- Jimmy Young Programme - May 11;
- Thames TV Eye interview (Alastair Burnet) - May 19;
- Panorama (Sir Robin Day) - provisionally for June 13.

Your Speeches

- Scottish Conference - May 13;
- Conservative Women's Conference - May 21;
- National Union Executive dinner - June 8;
- Welsh Conference - June 18;
- European Democratic Union Conference - June 23;
- Party Conference - October 14.

Regional Tours

- You plan another 4, including South Scotland (May 13) and West Midlands (July 15).

CND Campaign etc.

- Commons Disarmament Debate - May 10-11;
- INF negotiations resume - May 17;
- Defence Estimates White Paper - May 18;
- CND Pentecostal peace march to Upper Heyford - May 21-23;
- British Council of Churches defence/disarmament hearing - May 23;
- Women's Day of Action for Peace - May 24;
- European nuclear disarmament jamboree, Berlin - end May;
- NATO Ministerial, Paris - June 9-10;
- UN conference on peaceful uses of nuclear energy, Geneva - August 29-September 9.

Falklands Anniversaries

- Anniversary of San Carlos landing - May 24;
- Argentine national day - May 25;
- Anniversary of Argentine surrender - June 14.

Northern Ireland

- Second anniversary of death of Sands, hunger-striker - Thursday;
- Anniversary of Hyde and Regents Parks bombings - July 20.

Trade Unions

We are, of course, in the middle of the trade union conference season. The more important dates are:

- May - CPSA (9-13); NUPE (15-17); Fire Brigades (18-20);
- June - GMBATU (5-9); POEU (6-10); ASLEF (7-15); NALGO (11-17);
NUR (27-8 July); Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering
Unions (28-1 July);
- July - NUM and TGWU (4-8);
- September - TUC Congress (5-9).

Economic Indicators

We need to keep our eyes particularly on unemployment, retail prices, wholesale prices, production and money supply indicators. These are underlined in the attached.

Miscellaneous

Other notable dates are:

- London Transport fares cut by 25% - May 22;
- TUC People's March ends in London with demo - June 5;
- First anniversary of invasion of Lebanon - June 6;
- Anti-abortion rally, Hyde Park - June 25;
- MCC announce ballot result on tour of South Africa - July 13;
- Pensioners' day of action - September 28.

Summary

You are very busy with the media up to mid-June. Some of this would fall if there were a General Election. If there were no General Election in June we should have to construct a media programme beyond mid-June. There are many offers outstanding.

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3 May 1983

MAY

- 3 Prime Minister meets Japanese trade and industry Minister.
Prime Minister's interview with Julian Haviland, Times (for May 5).
EC Research Council, Brussels.
- 4 GOVERNMENT'S 4TH ANNIVERSARY.
NEDC.
Prime Minister meets President Machel of Mozambique.
EC Political Committee, Bonn (until 5 May).
Prime Minister attends 400th anniversary reception of Anglo-Turkish relations.
The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh open Wall Walk, Tower of London.
Patrick Jenkin opens Biotech '83 Exhibition.
Prime Minister's interview with Newsweek.
- 5 LOCAL ELECTIONS.
Prime Minister's reception for NSPCC.
TGWU - agriculture and allied workers - annual conference, Eastbourne.
2nd anniversary of death of hunger-striker Sands.
Faslane 5 at Dumbarton Sheriff Court.
Boy accused of sending letterbomb to No 10 in court.
- 6 Unemployment figures (April).
New drink and drive provisions in force.
President Reagan presented with International Trades Confederation recommendations on special steels.
- 6-7 Trade Unions for Labour Victory weekend conference.
CND festival, Brockwell Park, London.
- 7-9 Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial staff annual conference, Bournemouth.

May contd.

- 8 PRIME MINISTER'S INTERVIEW FOR BBC RADIO 4 "WORLD THIS WEEKEND" (GORDON CLOUGH).
OECD Ministerial, Paris (until 11 May).
Spanish municipal and autonomy elections.
10,000 issue of The Observer.
International Energy Agency Ministerial meeting.
- 9-13 CPSA annual conference, Brighton.
TSSA annual conference, Torquay.
- 10 Money supply (April-prov).
Index of wholesale prices.
Cardiff NW writ.
- 10-12 IRSF annual conference, Bridlington.
- 10-13 Civil Service Union annual conference, Blackpool.
- 11 PRIME MINISTER ON JIMMY YOUNG PROGRAMME.
Prime Minister hosts lunch for Prime Minister of New Zealand.
- 13 PRIME MINISTER ATTENDS SCOTTISH CONFERENCE, PERTH.
- 14 PRIME MINISTER PERFORMS NAMING CEREMONY OF BR LOCOMOTIVE AFTER AIREY NEAVE.
International Air Fair and Trade Exhibition, Biggin Hill.
- 14-15 EC Informal Foreign Ministers' weekend, Schloss Gymnich.
SDP (Council for Social Democracy), Aston University.
- 15 World Communications Day.
- 15-17 NUPE annual conference, Scarborough.

May contd.

- 16 EC Finance Council, Brussels (until 17 May).
EC part-session of European Parliament, Strasbourg.
- 16-17 EC Agriculture Council, Brussels.
- 16-20 IPCS and SCPS annual conferences.
- 17 Prime Minister meets President Kyprianou.
INF 5th round negotiations resume, Geneva.
The Queen opens International Maritime Organisation headquarters on Albert Embankment.
Chelsea Flower Show.
WEU Ministerial, Brussels.
Index of industrial production.
- 18 Average earnings index.
Defence Estimates 1983, White Paper.
Prime Minister meets Yugoslav Prime Minister.
- 18-20 Fire Brigades Union annual conference, Bridlington.
- 19 PRIME MINISTER'S THAMES TV EYE INTERVIEW (ALASTAIR BURNET).
Cyprus Intercommunal talks.
- 20 PRIME MINISTER'S REGIONAL TOUR.
Duke of Edinburgh visits Harare for Royal Agriculture Society of the Commonwealth.
Index of retail prices.
TUC trades councils conference, Scarborough.
- 21 PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH TO WOMEN'S CONSERVATIVE CONFERENCE.
Football Association Cup Final, Wembley.
- 21-23 CND Pentecost peace march to Upper Heyford.
- 22 London Transport fares cut by 25%.

May contd.

- 22-27 Prison Officers' Association annual conference, Scarborough.
Association of Communication Workers' annual conference,
Douglas (postmen).
- 23 EC FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL (BUDGET) - to 24th.
Zimbabwe trial of white Air Force officers.
British Council of Churches defence/disarmament hearing.
- 23-27 AUEW/TASS annual conference, Bournemouth.
- 24 Women's day of action for peace.
Anniversary of San Carlos landing.
- 25 TUC General Council and Labour Party NEC meetings.
New stamp issue depicting British engineering achievements.
EC Development Co-operation Council, Brussels.
Argentine National Day.
Commonwealth Development Corporation, annual report 1982.
- 25-28 The Queen and Duke of Edinburgh visit Sweden.
- 26 Glyndebourne season opens.
Paris Air Show, Le Bourget.
- 27 PRIME MINISTER SEES PRESIDENT REAGAN, WASHINGTON.
Overseas trade figures.
- 28-30 ECONOMIC SUMMIT, WILLIAMSBURG, USA.
- 30 Bank Holiday.
EC Agriculture Ministers internal meeting, Germany.

May contd.

- 31 EC Education and Energy Councils, Brussels.
EC Political Committee, Bonn (until 1 June).
EC Economic and Social Committee plenary session, Brussels.
- end May European nuclear disarmament campaigners' jamboree, Berlin.

JUNE

- 1 International Labour Organisation annual conference, Geneva.
Derby Day.
EC Economic and Social Committee Plenary Session, Brussels.
- 3 Unemployment figures (May).
- 5 TUC People's March ends in London.
- 5-9 GMBATU annual conference, Scarborough.
- 6 EUROPEAN COUNCIL, STUTTGART.
EC Social Affairs Council, Luxembourg, and part-session of
Parliament, Strasbourg.
First anniversary of invasion of Lebanon.
- 6-9 WEU Parliamentary Assembly, Paris.
- 6-10 Post Office Engineering Union annual conference, Blackpool.
- 6-30 UNCTAD VI, Belgrade.
- 7 Index of wholesale prices.
Money supply (May-prov).
EC Transport Council, Luxembourg.
State visit by President Jayawardene of Sri Lanka.

June contd.

- 7-15 ASLEF annual conference, London.
- 8 PRIME MINISTER ATTENDS NATIONAL UNION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DINNER.
PRIME MINISTER MEETS AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER.
Prime Minister opens Arts and Crafts Exhibition during 1300th anniversary celebration at St Mary's Rectory, Finchley.
Public local inquiry into dockland airport, London.
- 9 Prime Minister hosts lunch for First Deputy Prime Minister of Iraq.
- 9-10 North Atlantic Council Ministerial, Paris.
- 11 Trooping the Colour.
- 11-13 Labour Party Women's conference, Cardiff.
- 11-17 NALGO annual conference, Douglas.
- 12 Thailand General Election.
- 13 EC Finance and Agriculture Councils, Luxembourg (to 14th).
New inquest into death of Signor Calvi.
Prime Minister's reception for entrepreneurs.
Prime Minister's interview for Panorama (Sir Robin Day)
- 13-17 ISTC annual conference, Jersey. - provisional.
- 14 Anniversary of Argentine surrender, Port Stanley.
- 14-18 Confederation of Health Service Employees annual conference, Bridlington.
The Prince and Princess of Wales visit Canada.
- 15 Average earnings index.
Index of industrial production.
New Civil Defence Regulations introduced.

June contd.

- 16 EC Environmental Council, Luxembourg (until 17th).
- 16-22 Pope returns to Poland.
- 17 PRIME MINISTER'S REGIONAL TOUR.
Index of retail prices [to be used for pensions uprating].
- 18 PRIME MINISTER ATTENDS WELSH CONFERENCE.
- 20 Prime Minister meets Engineering Industries Council.
- 20-21 EC Foreign Affairs and Justice Councils, Luxembourg.
- 20-3 July Lawn Tennis championships, Wimbledon.
- 21 EC Political Co-operation Ministerial.
- 22 Sir Geoffrey Howe speaks at Press Gallery lunch.
TUC General Council.
- 22-24 Mr Pieter Dankert, President of European Parliament, visits UK.
- 23 PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH TO 1900 CLUB.
- 24 PRIME MINISTER ATTENDS EUROPEAN DEMOCRATIC UNION CONFERENCE.
Overseas trade figures.
- 25 Anti abortion rally, Hyde Park.
- 27 Prime Minister hosts lunch for President of Ivory Coast.
EC Fisheries Council, Luxembourg (until 28th).
- 27-8 July NUR annual general meeting.
- 28-1 July Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions' annual conference, Llandudno.

June contd.

- 29 Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly, Luxembourg (until 2 July).
- 30 Unemployment figures (June).
Henley Regatta.

JULY

- 1 EC Presidency passes to Greece.
Princess of Wales's birthday.
Robin Leigh-Pemberton takes over at Bank of England.
- 2 New Cardinals ordained.
- 4 The Queen opens first UK factory of Nippon Electric Company, Livingston.
EC Energy and Transport Councils, Brussels (to 5th).
- 4-8 NUM annual conference.
TGWU annual conference, Douglas.
- 5 Money supply (June-prov).
- 7 Princess Anne visits RAF Wildenrath, BAOR.
- 8 PRIME MINISTER'S SEMINAR ON SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY IN INDUSTRY.
- 9 Prime Minister attends 1300th anniversary of St Mary's, Finchley.
- 11 EC Finance and Agriculture Councils, Brussels (to 12th).
Index of wholesale prices.
- 11-12 EC Political Committee, Athens.

July contd.

- 12 Orangeman's Day.
- 13 Index of industrial production.
MCC announce result of ballot on South Africa tour.
- 13-30 Royal Tournament, Earls Court.
- 14 British open gold championship, Royal Birkdale.
- 15 PRIME MINISTER'S REGIONAL TOUR, WEST MIDLANDS.
Index of retail prices.
- 16 British Grand Prix.
- 18 The Queen takes the salute at the Royal Tournament,
Earls Court.
Royal International Horse Show.
- 18-19 EC Foreign Affairs and Budget Councils, Brussels.
- 20 Average earnings index.
Anniversary of Hyde Park and Regents Park bombings.
- 26 Overseas trade figures.
- 27 Prime Minister hosts lunch for President of Ivory Coast.
- 29 PRIME MINISTER TAKES SALUTE AT RAF COLLEGE, CRANWELL.

AUGUST

- 3 New wing opened at Stoke Mandeville.
Horse of the Year Show (until 8th).

August contd.

- 4 Unemployment figures (July).
Queen Mother's birthday.
- 6 Nigerian Presidential election.
- 8 Index of wholsale prices.
- 9 Money supply (August-prov).
- 12 Index of retail prices.
Index of industrial production.
Grouse shooting opens.
- 15 Battle of Britain Day.
- 17 Average earnings index.
- 21-10 Sept. Edinburgh Festival and Military Tattoo.
- 24 Overseas trade figures.
TUC General Council and Labour Party NEC meetings.
- 29 Bank Holiday.
Nottinghill Carnival.
- 29-9 Sept. UN Conference on peaceful uses of nuclear energy, Geneva.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Unemployment figures (August).
- 3 Prime Minister visits Balmoral (or 10-11 September).
Royal Highland Gathering, Braemar.

September contd.

- 5-9 Trades Union Congress, Blackpool.
- 5-6 EC Informal Agriculture Council.
EC Political Committee, Athens.
- 6 Index of wholesale prices.
Money supply (August-prov).
- 7-8 EC Special Committee on Agriculture.
- 10-11 EC Informal Finance Ministers, Greece.
- 11-14 SDP conference, Salford University.
Cable and Satellite TV Exhibition NEC, Birmingham.
- 12 EC Political Co-operation Ministers, Athens.
Sea Bed Treaty Review Committee, Geneva (until 23rd).
- 13 PRIME MINISTER OPENS MAGNUS OIL FIELD.
- 14 Average earnings index.
- 15 Index of industrial production (first on new basis of
1980 = 100).
- 16 Index of retail prices.
- 17-18 EC Informal Social Affairs Council, Greece.
- 19-20 EC Foreign and Agriculture Councils, Brussels.
- 19-24 Liberal Party conference, Harrogate.
- 23 Denunciation of ILO Convention 95 (on payment of wages).
- 26-6 Oct. Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly, Strasbourg.
- 26 Overseas trade figures.

Sept. contd.

- 27-30 IMF annual meeting, Washington.
- 28 Prince of Wales opens World Petroleum Congress, Royal Albert Hall.
Pensioners' day of action.
TUC General Council and Labour Party NEC meetings.
- 29 Unemployment figures (September).
- late Sept UN general assembly.

OCTOBER

- 1 Pheasant shooting opens.
- 3 EC Industry and Fisheries Councils, Luxembourg.
- 3-7 Labour Party conference, Brighton.
- 4 EC Research Council, Luxembourg.
- 4-7 European Computer Trade Forum NEC, Birmingham.
- 8-9 EC Foreign Ministers Informal weekend, Greece.
- 10 Index of wholesale prices.
Money supply (Sept-prov).
- 11-14 Conservative Party conference, Blackpool.
- 13 Index of industrial production.
- 13-14 EC Political Committee, Athens.
- 14 Index of retail prices.

October contd.

- 17-18 EC Foreign Affairs and Agriculture Councils, Luxembourg.
- 18-26 International Business Show NEC, Birmingham.
- 19 Average earnings index.
- 23 British Summer Time ends.
- 24 United Nations Day.
EC Social Affairs Council, Luxembourg.
- 26 Overseas trade figures.
TUC General Council and Labour Party NEC meetings.
- 30 Argentine elections.