

PRIME MINISTER

You are to give your first major "on the record" post-election press interview to George Gale of the Daily Express tomorrow (09.00-10.00 hrs).

He will be bringing along a photographer who can get his pictures and then leave after 5 minutes or so.

George Gale has in mind a wide-ranging interview but with the emphasis on domestic rather than foreign affairs. He is interested in looking ahead rather than back; considering what you have left to do in this Parliament; and even looking to how you see a possible third term. Clearly he hopes to cover economic policies including Government expenditure, the Welfare State, privatisation, and the Trade Union legislation. He will touch on the defence debate including dual key and Trident with a side reference to the Falklands. He also hopes to get something of your feelings about your family and private life and the political situation with no effective opposition seemingly in prospect.

Mr Ingham will be covering the interview.

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