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THE CHAIRMAN

Mrs Margaret Thatcher
Prime Minister
Conservative Party [Headquarters]
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Bonn, 10.6.1983

Dear Prime Minister,

I look forward with especial pleasure to meeting you at the EDU Party Leaders' Conference in London. Unfortunately I shall not be able to ^{be} present for the whole of the Conference. On 24 June 1983 in the morning, the Luther exhibition is to be opened in Nuremberg, an event of great national importance. I undertook some time ago to give the opening address on that special occasion.

May I therefore crave your indulgence and understanding for the fact that I shall not arrive in London until the afternoon. I shall certainly be present for the ceremonial founding of the IDU and I shall also be able to attend the celebratory dinner in the evening. To my great regret, however, I shall not arrive in London in time to be able to accept your invitation to lunch at 10 Downing Street. I should welcome it if it were possible for my Minister of State, Herr Jenninger, to be invited to that luncheon in my stead. He will be leading the CDU delegation in the Conference in my absence.

[Complimentary close]

(signature)

I.D.M.

PRIME MINISTER

EDU LUNCH: FRIDAY 24th JUNE 1983

Attached is a self-explanatory letter from Dr Helmut Kohl.

As you will see, he is unable to come to the lunch at Number Ten, but asks that his Minister of State, Herr Jenninger, comes instead.

Are you content?

Sully

Yes
~~is a letter~~
~~understand~~
~~if you~~
~~are~~

PP

Stephen

21st June 1983



10 DOWNING STREET

Sally

STEPHEN

The attached letter is from
Helmut Kohl of the CDU.

He says that he is not able
to come to the lunch but wants
to send his Minister of State,
Herr Jenninger.

Could you deal accordingly asap?

Sally

Sally

21.6.83.

① Can you please
do a minute to
PM informing her
that Kohl cannot
come to lunch & that
Herr J will come instead
AND attach Kohl's letter to her

② ~~inform~~ ②

ccs one amazing day lunch
list accordingly.



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CENTRE AND CENTRE RIGHT PARTIES TO LAUNCH NEW INTERNATIONAL

The Prime Minister, Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher, will be among leaders of more than twenty Christian-Democrat, Conservative and other non-socialist parties at a meeting in London, on Friday, 24th June, 1983, to form a new worldwide organisation called the INTERNATIONAL DEMOCRAT UNION (IDU).

The IDU will bring together the European Democrat Union (formed in 1978) and the Pacific Democrat Union (formed in 1982), and will thus be able to claim the support of nearly 150 million people. At twice the size of the Socialist International's comparative support, it will be the most representative and broadly-based international political organisation.

The new Union will seek to enhance the already growing cooperation between centre and centre-right parties of the industrialised countries of the world.

The principal representatives will include, the Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher (Conservative Party, UK); Vice President Bush (Republican Party, USA); Chancellor Helmut Kohl (CDU, West Germany); Premier Kaare Willoch (Conservative Party, Norway); Premier Poul Schluter (Conservative Party, Denmark); Monsieur Jacques Chirac (RPR, France); and Dr Alois Mock, Chairman of the EDU and the Austrian Peoples Party, who will chair the meeting. A full list of participating parties is attached.

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CORRESPONDENTS WISHING TO ATTEND THIS EVENT SHOULD APPLY IN WRITING, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, FOR ACCREDITATION TO SCOTT HAMILTON, DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT, CONSERVATIVE CENTRAL OFFICE, 32 SMITH SQUARE, WESTMINSTER; PASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, AT CONSERVATIVE CENTRAL OFFICE.

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PARTICIPATING PARTIES IN THE FOUNDING MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL
DEMOCRAT UNION, LONDON, 24th JUNE 1983

AUSTRALIA:	Liberal Party
AUSTRIA:	Austrian Peoples Party (OVP)
CANADA:	Progressive Conservative Party
CYPRUS:	Democratic Rally
DENMARK:	Conservative Party
FINLAND:	Coalition Party, Swedish Peoples Party
FRANCE:	Rassemblement pour la Republique (RPR)
GERMANY:	Christian Democratic Union (CDU) Christian Social Union (CSU)
GREECE:	New Democracy
JAPAN:	Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
LIECHTENSTEIN:	FBP, VU
MALTA:	Nationalist Party
NEW ZEALAND:	National Party
NORWAY:	Conservative Party
PORTUGAL:	Centre Democratic Party (CDS)
SPAIN:	Allianza Popular (AP) Christian Democrat Party (PDP)
SWEDEN:	Moderate Party
USA:	Republican Party
END	

DER VORSITZENDE

Frau Premierminister
Margaret Thatcher
Conservative Party
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Bonn, 10.06.1983

Sehr geehrte Frau Premierminister,

mit besonderer Freude sehe ich dem Zusammentreffen mit Ihnen auf der EDU-Parteiführerkonferenz in London entgegen. Leider ist es mir nicht möglich, während der gesamten Konferenz zugegen zu sein. Am 24. Juni 1983 vormittags wird in Nürnberg die Luther-Ausstellung eröffnet, ein Ereignis von großer nationaler Bedeutung. Ich hatte mich bereits vor langer Zeit verpflichtet, bei dieser Ausstellung die Festrede zu halten. Ich bitte daher um Ihr Verständnis dafür, daß ich erst nachmittags nach London komme. Ich werde mit Sicherheit bei der feierlichen Gründung der IDU anwesend sein und auch an dem festlichen Abendessen teilnehmen können. Zu meinem großen Bedauern werde ich jedoch nicht so rechtzeitig in London eintreffen, um Ihrer Einladung zu dem Mittagessen in Downing Street 10 Folge leisten zu können. Ich würde es begrüßen, wenn statt meiner Staatsminister Jenninger zu diesem Essen eingeladen würde,

der in meiner Abwesenheit Leiter der CDU-Delegation auf
der Konferenz sein wird.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

Handwritten signature:
H
L
Jan