



FROM: THE RT.HON. SIR KEITH JOSEPH, Bt. MP.

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Rt.Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher MP.

21st June 1978

Ian Stewart

I told you that Eldon Griffiths had approached me with the idea that he might help in some speeches.

In the event, I arranged a dinner discussion with him, the Letwins, Peter Utley and Jock Bruce-Gardyne.

It was proposed that as a result of the discussion, and subject to your agreement, draft speeches for you to consider making should be submitted to you as follow:-

By Peter Utley

✓ on Patriotism and the Unity of the Kingdom.

This would bring in some references to Rhodesia and would be designed to answer the charge of sabre-rattling as well as to take a constructive attitude.

By Peter Utley & Shirley Letwin

✓ on The Right Balance.

This would meet the fears both of those on the one hand who are afraid that we shall do too little and those on the other who are afraid that we shall do too much or do it clumsily.

By Eldon Griffiths

✓ on Law and Order.

To stress that violent crime at present levels must stop and that Labour has no such intention. To be ready in early July in draft.

By Eldon Griffiths

on the lines of Your Own Personal Vision or Dream. He would propose to submit this a little later for use during the election.

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By Eldon Griffiths

✓ on The Deserving Society: this draft would explain that we want to move towards the deserving society in which we alter the present system with its encouragement of abuse and overmanning: but that we realise that expectations exist and that we can only move largely by wastage and at a humane pace.

By Jock Bruce-Gardyne

✓ on Freedom of Speech, bringing up to date the draft you have already seen. It is thought that this subject will be of particular interest to Fleet Street.

By Jock Bruce-Gardyne

✓ The Tory commitment as a top priority to achieving over a two or three year period stable money and then maintaining it - with all the manifold blessings that this would bring.

By Bill Letwin

"Axes to Taxes"

I don't think this subject does justice to Bill Letwin's enormous ability.

By Shirley Letwin

on Education.

✓ Shirley has the relevant speeches and pamphlets of Norman but would like some idea from you, via me, of your particular emphasis so that she can approach the subject in a way that will be acceptable to you.

I hope that this list will be helpful to you. Perhaps when I see you, you will tell me whether any of them are unsuitable and give me a general set of guidelines for Shirley on Education.

Ann - Letwin

Sir Keith Joseph
MP

22 June 1978

Mrs Thatcher has asked me to thank you for your letter of 21st June and I am now enclosing a copy of the original and she has ticked the speeches she would like to be got under way.

Mrs Thatcher will have a word with you about the Education one next week.

Yours sincerely,



Rt Hon Sir Keith Joseph Bt MP