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Hugh Thomas

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10 DOWNING STREET

PRIME MINISTER

Alfred

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THAT WE OUGHT TO PUT  
● A VETO ON THIS PROPOSED  
INTERVIEW FOR B.B.C. 2.

2. Do you agree, please?

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● I ADVISED HUGH THOMAS  
AGAINST MORE "DOWNSIDE" THAN  
"UPSIDE".

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doubt - we will do it, try to stop it.  
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The enclosed letters speak for themselves.

Both Hugh Thomas and I believe that it would be a good idea for me to take part since if I do not, they are more liable to get things wrong. They are quite honest professionals and not Parti Pris. Since they want to come next week, I should be glad of a quick decision.

I usually clear these things through Richard. So far policy has been that I can say what I like in my own name. But since this explicitly involves the Centre, Hugh and I think it only right to take it up through you.

Yours sincerely,



Alfred Sherman

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Alfred Sherman,  
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Dear Mr. Sherman,

This is to confirm that we will be filming an interview with you for the Newsweek Programme, BBC 2, on Wednesday September 26th at 10.00 a.m. It is our intention to do the interview at the Centre For Policy Studies where we also hope to be able to take some pictures of your office and to show Professor Thomas at his desk in his capacity as new Chairman of the CPS. The reporter will be Donald MacCormick.

With many thanks for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

JAMES HOGAN  
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