

cc Argentina: Relats

I have spoken privately to

Lord Thomas.

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PRIME MINISTER

Hugh Thomas rang today with two points.

He has been invited to take part in a round table discussion in Moscow in May. Our side of things is being organised by Chatham House. He wanted to know whether I saw any objection. I said that I thought it would be a good idea to take part, but that I would check with you. Do you have any objection? *Good idea - mt*

His second point was that the press had reported that he had been invited to visit Buenos Aires. The truth was that some time ago he had been asked to go there next November to deliver a lecture. He had written back to the effect that he might go but he had not made up his mind. There was no more to it than that. I said that at the present time, when we were attempting to take steps towards the improvement of relations, it might be muddling for him to go. The Argentines would probably misinterpret it.

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