

PRIME MINISTER

VISIT TO HEATHROW: 9 AUGUST

Sir Angus Fraser has now submitted a draft programme for your visit to see the work of HM Customs at Heathrow on the morning of Friday 9 August. Your visit will focus on the drugs side of their duties.

Hartley Booth has been to Heathrow, and thinks the programme should provide you with a good general picture of Customs work. There is a lot to see, and the timing will be rather tight. We shall aim to allow for some over-run. On the two options at the end, it seems important to see the Queen's Warehouse if at all possible. You can get an idea from this of the full range of goods that are seized by Customs.

Content with the draft programme, and to the inclusion of the Queen's Warehouse in the itinerary?

Yes

Mark Addison

MARK ADDISON

17 July 1985

Options

EITHER 1020 Finish

OR 1015 Car to Queen's Warehouse

1025 Queen's Warehouse

1035 Finish

See custody of seized
drugs [preferably a
restricted party: PM and
one other]

* Names below Surveyor (= SEO) level to be supplied nearer the time.



10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

18 July 1985

Dear Sir Angus

Many thanks for your letter of 12 July.

The Prime Minister is content with the draft programme you have provided, and she has asked that The Queen's Warehouse be included in her itinerary.

I look forward to receiving briefing from you in due course. I see no difficulties if you are able to get this to us shortly after your return to the office on 2 August.

Y sincerely
Mark Addison

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Sir Angus Fraser, KCB, TD



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PL check to see if
HB is happy, in a
day or two.

Mark,

just 18/7

PLEASE SEE BF

step under this
pp as well.

SUE

18/7/85



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Mark Addison
10 Downing Street

12 July 1985

Dear Addison,

Thank you for your letter of 5 July. I enclose a draft programme. You will see that it offers two options at the end, and I should be grateful to know which of these would be more suitable.

I shall send you next week some draft briefing material, viz fact-sheets on

- a) Customs and Excise's main activities;
- b) our drugs enforcement capability; and
- c) Heathrow's role in that capability.

It would then be helpful if you could let me know whether the briefing seems right in quantity and coverage.

I shall be having my summer break from 22 July to 2 August, and would expect to finalise the briefing material on my return (by which time the names of all those to be met should be certain). If that is too late, however, we can of course get it to you earlier.

Yours sincerely
A M Fraser

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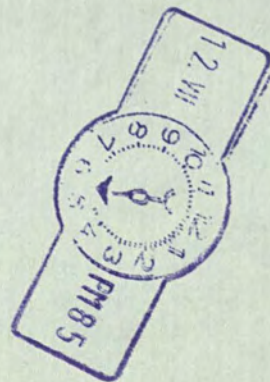
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MR BOOTH
MISS WALL
DETECTIVES

VISIT TO CUSTOMS AT HEATHROW

I should be grateful for any quick comments you may wish to make on the attached programme, before I submit it to the Prime Minister for her approval.

Mark Addison

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12 July 1985

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Je Mrs
c Dets.
Press office
H Booth

From the Private Secretary

5 July 1985

Dear Mr Fraser

I had a word with your office this morning, and we agreed it would be helpful if I wrote to confirm that the Prime Minister is planning to visit HM Customs at Heathrow on Friday 9 August. She aims to arrive at 0900 and the visit would last about one and a half hours. The Prime Minister very much hopes this date and these times will be convenient for you.

It would be helpful if you could provide us with a draft programme for the visit, indicating who the Prime Minister would meet, and the areas of work she might expect to see. So far as publicity is concerned, we should need to keep the Prime Minister's intention to visit Heathrow to as small a number of people as possible until immediately before the event. I understand that it would be wise to limit press coverage to a single session, and our press people are I think already in touch with yours to discuss these arrangements. Our detectives also will need to be in touch with you to consider security for the visit.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Y Sincerely
Mark Addison

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