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From the Private Secretary

7 October 1992

VISIT OF THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER: 23 NOVEMBER 1992

Thank you for your letter of 6 October about the visit of Prime Minister Demirel. The following are the answers to your questions:

Timing

If we are having a working lunch, I see no need for a separate session of talks beforehand. I suggest that the Turkish side arrive at 1230. We would then have drinks and go into lunch just before 1300 hours. We would finish at around 1430, though I suggest that Prime Minister Demirel's next engagement not start before 1500.

Attendance

We could manage six a side. Would it not make sense for the Defence Secretary or another MOD Minister to be present? In that case on our side attendance would be the Prime Minister, the Foreign Secretary, the Defence Secretary, John Goulden, Sir Rodric Braithwaite and myself.

Photographs

We would, as we always do, have a photocall on Prime Minister Demirel's arrival at No 10.

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ce/ks Foreign & Commonwealth Office 6 October 1992 London SW1A 2AH Dear Stephen, Visit of Turkish Prime Minister, 23 November The Prime Minister has kindly agreed to host a working lunch for Mr Demirel on 23 November when he visits London to attend a CBI conference. It would be helpful if we could now confirm some of the details for this lunch. The CBI, in particular, need this in order to plan the timing of their conference. Grateful, therefore, for your views on the following points: Timing. How much time will the Prime Minister have available? Will he want a short session of talks before lunch, including perhaps a short tete-a-tete? Or do you want to keep just to a working lunch? Cast list. The Turkish side will want to fit in with the Prime Minister. We should perhaps aim for 5 a side. The Foreign Secretary the Ambassador, John Goulden, would be available to attend from here. If you wanted a 5th from the FCO, rather than Number 10, I am sure either another Minister or senior official would be available. Photographs. The Turks have asked whether there might be a short photo opportunity before lunch. Yours ever, Christophes Pourtice (C N R Prentice) Private Secretary J S Wall Esq 10 Downing Street