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From the Private Secretary

25 September 1985

1986 BUDGET

The Prime Minister has seen your letter of 23 September. She is content that the Chancellor should plan provisionally on a date of 18 March for the Budget. She has noted that an announcement would not be made until the New Year.

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23 September 1985

Prime Minister

Dear David

This is OK for your diary.
As in past recent years the Budget
comes before we know the PSBR
method, but this is probably unavoidable
given the date of Easter. If we waited till after
Easter (April 7) the budget would be getting too late.

1986 BUDGET

The Chancellor has been considering the timing of next year's Budget. He has provisionally decided that the best date would be 18 March. This is feasible in terms of the Parliamentary timetable, timetable for Publications of Statistics, and diaries.

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The Chancellor would be grateful for confirmation that the Prime Minister is content that we should plan provisionally on this date. An announcement would not of course be made until the New Year.

I am copying this letter to David Morris (Lord Privy Seal's Office) and Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office).

Yours sincerely
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