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ARRANGEMENTS FOR AUGUST

PUS has seen Mr Leach's minute of 3 July to you attaching a note by the British Government. PUS has commented, 'as to justification, I do not think it should be based solely on bilaterals. There is a case for 'on-site' preparatory work including conversations and contacts.'

2. PUS has, therefore, amended paragraph 3 of the note. The first sentence should now read 'Some parties may wish to hold informal bilateral consultations during this period and/or engage on essential preparatory work requiring access to Castle Buildings and contacts with other participants.'

3. PUS has also said that we will need to control/limit the number of days on which participants qualify for allowances.

Signed

ANITA BHARUCHA
PRIVATE SECRETARY
4 JULY 1996

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