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(Mitchell did not in the
end come)

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Dear Edward,

SENATOR GEORGE MITCHELL

OK JEH o/r
AW o/r

I have explained to Peter Westmacott that
12/9 is possible, but depends on other things.
He will refer to him near the time. Pl.
see my note of 23/8 to AW.

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23/8

1. Martha Pope told me today that, at the end of the letter of condolence on his brother's death which the Prime Minister had kindly sent George Mitchell (not seen here), there had been a suggestion that the two might meet after the summer holidays. If this were mere politesse, or if the Prime Minister were unable to find the time for a meeting, Mitchell would quite understand. But if the Prime Minister would like to see him, he was going to be in London on Thursday 12 September. He would be flying to Belfast on 8 September, for the resumption of Talks the following day, and intended to travel to Heathrow on the Thursday morning. He had commitments in the afternoon, but was free between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm if that was convenient. If not, he would, of course, be happy to do his best to fit in with whatever timing suited you best.

2. Could you let me have a reply to pass to Martha? She leaves here for Belfast on 3 September.

Yours ever,
Peter.

Peter Westmacott

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