

CHIRAC STATE VISIT 11/04/96
You rang yesterday with a number of points on this.

2. The position is that:

i) I have made the point again to [REDACTED] that, if at all possible, a brief visit to a pub should be included in Chirac's programme, perhaps directly before or after he visits Easterhouse. [REDACTED] has confirmed that he still has this very much in mind. He appreciates that, given Chirac's spontaneous nature and populist approach, and the need to include as many telegenic occasions as possible, this would make a genuinely useful contribution to the programme (whether the Prince of Wales was able to accompany Chirac or not). I explained the difficulties to you over identifying an actual pub in Easterhouse itself. But [REDACTED] will, as I say, do his best.

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sent by fax
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