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Visit of Yugoslav Prime Minister

We have agreed with the Yugoslavs that there should be no joint communique for Mrs Planinc's visit. Mrs Planinc will be making a major speech at the Mansion House on 17 November which will probably concentrate on economic and financial matters. The only occasion which offers an opportunity for a substantial statement by HMG is the Prime Minister's lunch on 16 November. We understand that Mrs Planinc would also like to deliver a prepared speech at the lunch.

I enclose a first draft for the Prime Minister's consideration. It has not been seen by Sir G Howe: I shall be showing him a copy in his next box.

I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister is content to have translations of the two speeches made available, to avoid the need for consecutive interpretation. It would also be helpful to have some guidance to offer to the Yugoslavs on how long Mrs Planinc's speech should last.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R B Bone', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

(R B Bone)  
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