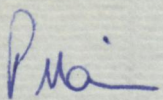


PRIME MINISTER

As you will have heard the \$ is under heavy downward pressure. I have been in touch with the Treasury. They tell me that we have not intervened at all, nor are planning to do so. They say too that the Germans have intervened heavily - though the extent is as yet unknown.

I have asked the Treasury to let me know if there is any suggestion of our intervening.


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