

PRIME MINISTER

cc. Mr. Alison
Mr. Redwood
Mrs. Ryder

Central Council Speech

You deliver the speech on Saturday week, 24th March in Birmingham. Tony Shrimpsley tells me that he will need the final version of the speech by Friday morning so that it can be distributed to the Press. This is because he does not have full facilities for running off press releases in Birmingham.

If we are to comply with this deadline the speech needs to be finalised by Thursday night.

However Caroline has earmarked Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights for the speech which seems a wise precaution.

Given.

STEPHEN

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