

PRIME MINISTER

Tomorrow at 1500 you are having a confidential meeting with Mr. John Smith, Chairman of Liverpool Football Club since 1973. You are of course also meeting Ministers on Thursday to discuss football hooliganism and DOE and the Home Office will be putting in options papers for that meeting.

For tomorrow's meeting, I think you will wish to have a look at Hartley Booth's note (Flag A) which sets out succinctly some of the options. Attached to Hartley's note are two press cuttings and relevant extracts from the FA Rule Book.

If you have time, you might also read the DOE Consultative Document (Football Spectator Violence) published last year (Flag B) which Mr. Smith may well refer to.

Environment's note for Thursday's meeting has in fact now arrived and I attach this at Flag C in case you would like to glance through it before seeing Mr. Smith. Paragraph 11 deals with options for Government and the Clubs.

Two further points to bear in mind:

- (i) You have had half a dozen letters or so from identity card firms seeking to sell their wares;
- (ii) The Opposition Chief Whip has mentioned to John Wakeham his belief that football hooliganism is associated with, and in part inspired by, National Front activities.

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