

PRIME MINISTER

FOOTBALL HOOLIGANISM: MEETING AFTER CABINET

The meeting after Cabinet is to discuss the work Departments have done taking forward their remits from last Thursday's meeting, and to consider the handling of Monday's meeting with the Football Association and the Football League.

This brief contains:-

- Flag A      The Home Secretary's note setting out a possible package of Government measures.
- Flag B      The Environment Secretary's note, which deals only with matches abroad.
- Flag C      Advice from Policy Unit which lists the options (mainly for Government) which might be pursued.
- Flag D      Bernard Ingham's note on the discussion about football violence at the Mirror lunch.
- Flag E      The Football Association report which arrived just before last week's meeting. Mr. MacFarlane has replied saying that it does not meet the request to identify the action the FA intends to take.

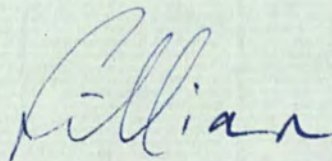
I also attach, in case you wish to refer to them:-

- Flag F      A clutch of letters you have received on the subject, most of which you have seen already.
- Flag G      A letter from Jack Dunnett enclosing a copy of a Bill on football crowds which he co-sponsored when he was an MP.

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You will wish to cover the following items during the meeting:-

- (i) The measures Government might take (in relation both to matches at home and abroad).
- (ii) The measures the FA should be asked to take (ditto). Bernard Ingham's note of the lunch provides a useful summary list of these.
- (iii) Ministerial attendance at Monday's meeting. From the FA we expect Bert Millichip (Chairman); Ted Croker (Secretary); Les McKay (Chairman, Disciplinary Committee). From the Football League, Jack Dunnett (Chairman); Graham Kelly (Secretary).
- (iv) Tactics at the meeting.
- (v) Next steps following the meeting. In particular, the content and timing of any Government announcement next week. The main issue for decision here seems to be how far the Government should be taking measures itself at this stage, before the Associations are given the chance to take the necessary steps (in time for next season).



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