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*From the Private Secretary*

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*Dear Roger,*

PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH TO THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

You may find it helpful to have a further indication of the Prime Minister's thinking before undertaking the re-draft of her speech on the environment to the United Nations General Assembly. This time it concerns the Tropical Forestry Action Plan. The Prime Minister thinks that she ought to be in a position to announce some further expansion of our assistance to this, going beyond the formulation in paragraph 24 of the present draft. She thinks, that we should put a specific figure on the additional amount which we are prepared to commit to it over a period of years for instance - and this is a purely indicative figure - £20 million. She would like the merits of this idea examined very rapidly by the Departments principally concerned, notably FCO., ODA and the Treasury.

I am copying this letter to John Gieve (H.M. Treasury), Stephen Wall (Foreign and Commonwealth Office), Andrew Lebrecht (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) and to Myles Wickstead (Overseas Development Administration).

*Yours sincerely,*  
*Charles Powell*

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