



Note for Speaker's file
General Election May/June 1983

C.O. 118/8

Miss Porter at No.10 tells me that

- 1) it is expected that the Father of the House (Mr. Callaghan) *He did* will take the Chair at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday 15th June.
- 2) Black Rod will summon the Commons to the House of Lords to hear
- 3) the Opening Commission read and directions to go away and elect a Speaker. *He did*
- 4) Speeches etc., in the House of Commons. *Yes*
- 5) The Prime Minister will make an informal submission to The Queen (who will be at Windsor) informing Her of the name of the Commons' choice; ✓
- 6) at the same time the Lord Chancellor's formal submission and commission should go to Windsor (i.e. on the evening of Wednesday 15th June). ✓
- 7) The Commission may be expected back in the Crown Office early on Thursday 16th June. ✓ *ibid*
- 8) On Thursday 16th at 2.30 p.m. both Houses will sit
- 9) the House of Lords will sit and the Lord Chancellor, as senior Commissioner, will convey the Royal Approbation to the Commons at the Bar of the House. ✓

Crown Office,
27th May 1983.

Done
16.6.83