lovereading.co.uk Please print off and read at your leisure

Return of the Timewaster Letters

Robin Cooper

Published by Time Warner

Extract

All text is copyright of the author

lovereading.co.uk

If you love reading, you'll love the unique benefits of lovereading.co.uk. You can download and print off the opening extracts of books, be guided by our exclusive author 'like-for-like' recommendation service and receive regular email updates of new books in your favourite genres. And it's all completely free. **Just turn to lovereading.co.uk today!**



Robin Cooper
Brondesbury Villas
London

The Right Honourable Prime Minister Mr Tony Blair
10 Downing Street
London
SW1 2AA

3rd July 2004

Dear Right Honourable Sir,

I understand that you are, of course, a very busy man, and are probably way too busy to read and re-read this letter.

Nonetheless, I hope that you will take a few minutes – and at the most, an hour - to consider my idea.

You see, the very fact that you are so busy is what my letter, herewin, concerns.

I put to you, thus, Prime Minister:

What happens when you go to sleep?

In other words, whilst you slumber, the nation still keeps going. Thus, who, in effect, is running the country?

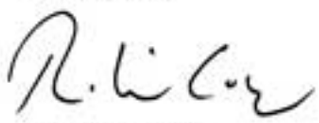
In short, no one is. No one at all!!!

My idea would be this. Have two Prime Ministers – one for the day, and one for the night.

What do you think? Can we push this through Parliament? Or do I need to fill in a special form first?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,



Robin Cooper

10 DOWNING STREET
LONDON SW1A 2AA

From the Direct Communications Unit

14 July 2004

Mr Robin Cooper
Brondesbury Villas
London

Dear Mr Cooper

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your recent letter.

Mr Blair was pleased to have your comments, which will be carefully considered.

Yours sincerely

AEMER LODHI

Robin Cooper
Brondesbury Villas
London

The Right Honourable Prime Minister Mr Tony Blair
10 Downing Street
London
SW1 2AA

27th July 2004

Dear Right Honourable Sir,

Many thanks for replying to my letter. Please pass on my thanks to Aemer Lodhi for physically typing up your response. For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of the correspondence thus far.

I was delighted to learn that you are considering my idea of two Prime Ministers (one for the day and one for the night). I have since been working up the idea and am pleased to be able to present a pictoral representation of the plan, which I have included along with this letter that you are now reading.

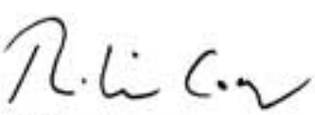
I trust this will be of use.

So Tony, how do we take this to the next level? A meeting?

I look forward to hearing from/meeting with you.

With very best wishes,

Your humble servant,



Robin Cooper

Pictoral Representation of the 'Two Prime Ministers' Plan

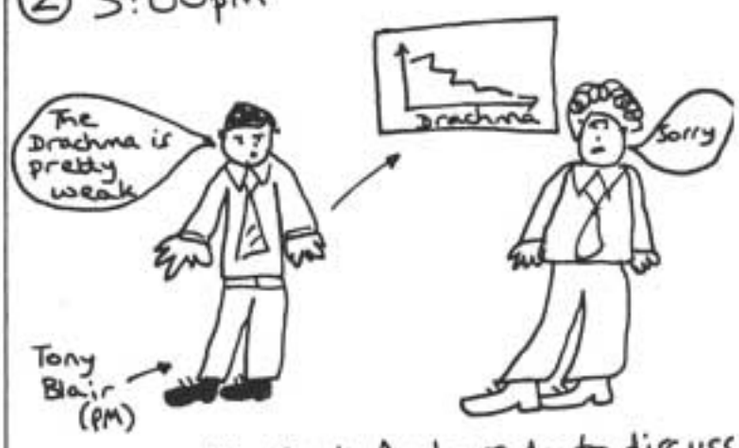
By Robin Cooper

① 12:00pm
Tony Blair is Prime Minister (PM)



Early lunch with Industrialists and tennis players, at no. 10 (Downing Street)

② 3:00pm



Meeting with Greek Ambassador to discuss Drachma, and latest livestock figures.

③ 4:30pm



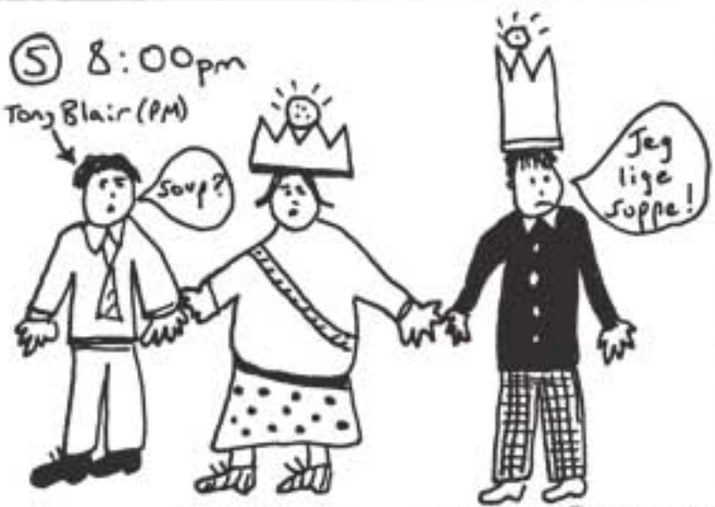
Afternoon tea (alone).

④ 6:00pm



Phone call to South African President (time differena is roughly the same, and there are some cheap rates around at the moment)

⑤ 8:00pm



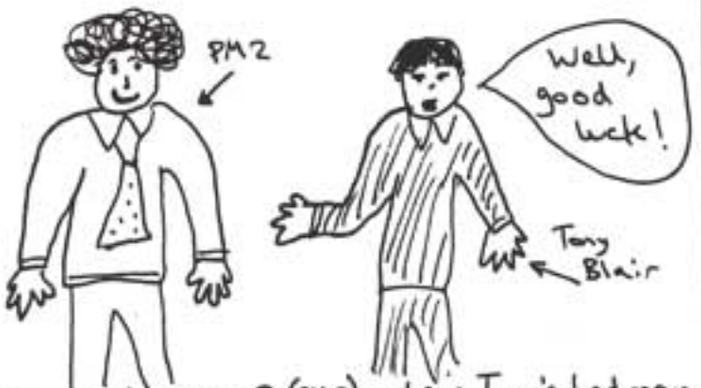
Dinner with Queen and King of Denmark.

⑥ 11:00pm



Prayers and preparation for bed (or 'cot beddie' as Tony Blair calls it).

(7) Midnight (12:00am)



Prime Minister 2 (PM2) enters Tony's bedroom. They formally shake hands. PM2 is now PM.

(8) 3:00am



PM2 makes phone call to US President (due to time difference). Tony Blair is asleep at this time (in his 'cot beddie').

(9) 6:00 am



PM2 holds talks with postmen, milkmen and early risers. Tony Blair is still asleep (in his 'cot beddie')

(10) 9:00am



PM2 has meeting with Cabinet re tax dividends and cuts in the Plastics industries. Tony Blair is now awake.

(11) Midday (12:00pm)



PM2 formally shakes hands with Tony Blair.

(12) 12:01pm



Tony Blair is PM once again. PM2 goes to bed (or 'cot beddibize' as he calls it).

END OF CORRESPONDENCE