

Until final decisions are made, summit organizers must accept that, in the preparatory phase, there should be flexibility in all of the logistical arrangements. A considerable amount of hypothetical planning is necessary, which can be burdensome and even frustrating for staff.

It is important that a decision be made early on in the planning stages as to whether Plans and Programmes should be responsible for making arrangements (ie. for bilaterals etc.) additional to the formal Programme. It is recommended that Plans and Programmes concentrate on the Official Programme only. Programmes for host government ministers should be handled by their staffs and any confusion on this point should be solved in the early stages of planning.

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