

PRIME MINISTER

cc Mr. Alexander

Ian has received a letter from Tim Kitson asking whether you could receive Sir Yeung Kong PAO when he is over here in early November. You will remember that he has already been to see you once since you became Prime Minister as well as attending a lunch. According to Tim he would like to have a word with you about a new joint venture with the Peking Government as he has just returned from China after meeting Premier Chao Zhiyang. Tim has told Sir Yeung Kong PAO that you will be very busy and this might well not be possible. Agree to see him or not?

Yes
not

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2 October 1980



10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

20 October 1980

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Dear Sir,

I enclose copies of a letter to the Prime Minister from Sir Yue-Kong Pao which I have already acknowledged and which does not, I think, require any further action, and of one to me from Mr. T. Rafgard enclosing a copy of INTERTANKO's submission to UNCTAD. I have acknowledged Mr. Rafgard's letter, and subject to your views, do not think that it requires any further action.

I am sending a copy of this letter and its enclosures to Roderic Lyne (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

Yours ever

Michael Alexander

Stuart Hampson, Esq.,
Department of Trade.

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20 October 1980

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter to her of 13 October and to say that she is looking forward to seeing you on 5 November.

MICHAEL ALEXANDER

Sir Yue-Kong Pao, C.B.E., LL.D., J.P.

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20 October 1980

Thank you for your letter of 16 October.
I have brought your letter and its enclosure
to the attention of those concerned here.

MICHAEL ALEXANDER

Mr. T. Rafgard

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16th October, 1980

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Mr Michael Alexander,
Private Secretary,
10 Downing Street,
London SW1,
England.

Dear Mr Alexander

With reference to the letter dated 30th August, 1980, from our Chairman, Sir Yue-Kong Pao, I take the liberty of enclosing the INTERTANKO submission to UNCTAD, which accompanied Sir Yue-Kong's statement.

The submission, "Cargo Sharing and the Role of Developing Countries in Tanker Shipping", aims in an analytical way, to outline the organisation of the tanker market. INTERTANKO is not quite convinced that the third world representatives in UNCTAD fully understand the functioning of the market.

It is not enough to state that regulatory schemes will distort the present market. The suspicion the third world feels of the motives of the western world must be removed. Hopefully a more careful argumentation, including in-depth analysis of the economics of the situation, may contribute to a better climate. I hope you will find the INTERTANKO submission a worthwhile effort towards this objective.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

T. Rafgård
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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN:
SIR YUE-KONG PAO, C.B.E., LL.D., J.P.

20TH FLOOR, PRINCE'S BUILDING,
HONG KONG

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13th October, 1980.

The Rt. Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, MP
Prime Minister
No. 10 Downing Street
London S.W. 1
ENGLAND

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 22nd September and your comments on the position taken by INTERTANKO in response to the proposals by the Secretariat of UNCTAD for cargo sharing in the bulk trades and for phasing out open registries. We are of course greatly encouraged by your Government's firm attitude on these issues and the leadership provided to the "Group B" countries during the recent meetings in Geneva. I am confident that economic realism will eventually return to these discussions and carry the day.

I have recently been in Beijing where I had the opportunity of meeting Premier Zhao Ziyang, and where we had a Board meeting of the joint venture company in shipping my group and two agencies of the Chinese Government have formed a few months ago. I am pleased to say that there is keen interest by the Chinese leadership in more economic activities abroad.

I shall be visiting in London early next month and understand that you will be able to see me again for a few minutes on the 5th November. I am grateful for this opportunity and very much look forward to being able to report to you in more detail on INTERTANKO activities and developments in China and Hong Kong.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely
Y. K. Pao

From: Sir Timothy Kitson, M.P.



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LONDON SW1A 0AA

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7 October 1980

Dear Caroline,

Thank you for your note and this is just to confirm that Wednesday, 5 November at 1030 am will suit Sir Y.K. Pao very well and he will look forward to that.

X | I have also found a small booklet on his joint venture with the Chinese Government which I will let you have in the next day or two and which I think will explain the position.

Yours sincerely,

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Miss Caroline Stephens,
Private Office, No.10, Downing Street,
London, SW1.

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then we must send off
for briefing. Cl.
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Please keep -
Sir Timothy Kibre
is sending a
background note

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Perhaps best kept with
your file about him

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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

3 October 1980

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PAO

Sir Yeung Kong Poa from Hong Kong is coming to see the Prime Minister on Wednesday 5 November at 10 Downing Street to discuss in particular a joint venture which his organisation has commenced with the Peking Government. I would be grateful if you, and the other recipients of this letter, would supply us with any briefing you consider relevant to this meeting. It would be helpful if all advice could please reach us here by close of play on Friday 31 October.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Peter Stredder (Department of Industry) and to Nicholas McInnes (Department of Trade).

CAROLINE STEPHENS

R. M. J. Lyne, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



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cc Ian Gow

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

3 October 1980

Your letter of 26 September to Ian Gow about Sir Yeung Kong ~~Pa~~^{Pao}, has been passed to me and I have had a word with the Prime Minister about it.

The Prime Minister would be delighted to see him. May I please offer you 1030 a.m. on Wednesday 5 November at 10 Downing Street. Perhaps you would be kind enough to confirm that this would be convenient.

CAROLINE STEPHENS

Sir Timothy Kitson, M.P.

Caroline



10 DOWNING STREET

1st October, 1980

Thank you so much for your letter of 26th September, letting me know that Sir Yeung Kong Poa will be in London at the beginning of next month.

I will have a word with the Prime Minister about this, and will then write to you again.

Ian Gow

Sir Timothy Kitson, M.P.

From: Sir Timothy Kitson M.P.



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LONDON SW1A 0AA

26th September, 1980.

Ian Gow Esq.,
House of Commons,
LONDON,
SW1A 0AA

Sir Tim,
Sir Yeung Kong Poa has been in touch with me saying that he will be in London, arriving on 4th November and departing on the 9th. He has a dinner on the evening of the 5th, otherwise with the exception of the evening of the 8th, he is fairly clear.

He would like $\frac{1}{4}$ hour with the Prime Minister to have a chat if it is at all possible. I think he would like a word about their new joint venture with the Peking Government as he has just come back from China after meeting Premier Chao Zhiyang and I think would like to have a word with the Boss about this operation.

I have said that with Parliament just reassembling, obviously she will be very busy, in case it is not possible to arrange anything, but if she could spare a few minutes I know he would welcome it.

From: Sir Timothy Kitson M.P.



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LONDON SW1A 0AA

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I hope you are having a pleasant holiday and no doubt
I will see you at Brighton.

I am sure you will help if you can and you could let
me know if there is any chance when I see you down there.

TK
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature consisting of a large 'T' followed by a horizontal line.