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Private Secretary to the Prime Minister  
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Your reference

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Date 10 March 1981

Dear Michael,

PRESENTATION PHOTOGRAPH FOR ED MEESE

I enclose copies of a self-explanatory exchange of correspondence with Ed Meese's Assistant, who asks whether the Prime Minister would autograph the enclosed photograph for surprise presentation to Mr Meese.

2. Given Meese's importance here, we very much hope that the Prime Minister will agree to do so.

3. Perhaps the photograph could be returned to us in an envelope marked "By Confidential Bag"; the unclassified bag can be horribly delayed.

Yours ever,

Nick

N K J Witney  
Private Secretary to  
HM Ambassador



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Mr Edwin W Thomas  
Assistant Counsellor to the  
President  
The White House  
Washington DC 20500

Your reference

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Date 10 March 1981

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*Dear Mr Thomas,*

In the Ambassador's absence from Washington, I write to thank you for your letter of 6 March, and to say that we shall be glad to pass on your request to London.

*Yours sincerely,*

*Nicholas Witney*

N K J Witney  
Private Secretary to  
HM Ambassador

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 6, 1981

*Could you sign the two  
photographs enclosed?*

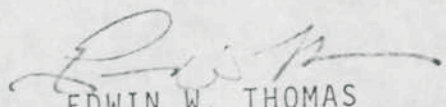
*And,*

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

We plan a surprise presentation to Mr. Edwin Meese III, Counsellor to the President, of the enclosed photograph. It would give him the greatest pleasure if the Right Honourable Margaret Thatcher autographed it personally.

Would you kindly make this request for us and return the photograph to our office. Thank you very much for your courtesy.

Sincerely,

  
EDWIN W. THOMAS  
Assistant Counsellor  
to the President

His Excellency  
Nicholas Henderson  
Ambassador of Great Britain  
3100 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20008

USA

16 March 1981

Presentation Photograph for Ed Meese

Thank you for your letter of 10 March.

I enclose the two photographs suitably, I Hope,  
inscribed.

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N.K.J. Witney, Esq.

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