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Shrimley/
Johnson

BRYAN CARTLEDGE

The Prime Minister has said that she would like two of her friends from the journalistic world, Anthony Shrimley and Paul Johnson, to be invited to one of the lunches or dinners that will be given for foreign guests within the next two months.

If possible, they should be invited on separate occasions.

Their addresses are:

Anthony Shrimley
64 Salmon Street
London NW9

Paul Johnson
Copthall
Iver
Bucks

Richard Ryder
Political Office

6th June 1979

cc Sue Goodchild

Prime Minister

You will remember that both Tony Shrimpsley and Paul Johnson were of particular assistance during the Election campaign.

It would have put their independent journalist status at risk by inviting them to the Party, moreover neither of them are keen to accept money in respect of the articles which they assisted with. But would it not be a good idea for Alison to buy them each a small present. Perhaps brandy or cigars.

If you agree in principle I will liaise with Alison about what presents would be suitable.

Richard

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23rd May 1979

*Don - Return the money to the newspaper.
Ask them (responsibly) to
the best way to
a dinner party we
are going to
disappointed in it's.
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