

## **10 DOWNING STREET**

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14th April, 1981

L.T.

Thank you for your letter of 13th April.

I apologise for having inflicted Gouriet and Ward upon you.

Gouriet suffers from the mistaken belief that wherever he is, the centre of the world is not far distant.

He got to know the Prime Minister at the time of the Grunwick affair, when Gouriet was working for the Freedom Association.

I agree that he has nothing to contribute to our Party.

Ian Gow

The Rt, Hon. The Lord Thorneycroft, C.H.

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## THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY

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I saw John Gouriet and Harvey Ward.

I think that the less we have to do with them the better. I certainly do not intend to take advantage of their offers of help, and I am busily engaged at the moment in trying to keep them out of my hair.

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