



10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

5 December, 1980.

Dear Robin

I am writing to confirm that the Prime Minister is content with the arrangement for the Chancellor of the Duchy to represent HMG at the Lisbon funeral of the late Prime Minister of Portugal.

I am sending a copy of this letter to George Walden (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

Yours ever

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5 December 1980

Dear Michael,

As I told you on the telephone this morning, the Secretary of State has suggested, and Mr St John-Stevas has agreed, that the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster should represent HMG at a Requiem Mass tomorrow in Lisbon for the Portuguese Prime Minister, Dr sa Carneiro.

I take it that the Prime Minister approves of this arrangement.

I am copying this to Mr St John-Stevas' office.

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Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster

5 December 1980

Dear Mike.

Following our telephone conversation, I write to confirm that the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs has asked the Chancellor of the Duchy to represent Her Majesty's Government at the funeral tomorrow in Lisbon for the Prime Minister of Portugal, and that the Chancellor of the Duchy has agreed to this, subject to the approval of the Prime Minister. He proposes to leave this evening at 9.30 pm and to return on Sunday. I should be glad to know if this arrangement is acceptable to the Prime Minister.

I am copying this letter to George Walden in the Foreign Office.

Yours ever,

Robin

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