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The Rt. Hon. Nicholas Ridley, M.P.,

Dear Mr. Ridley,

thank you so much for your letter dated April 20, 1988. I enjoyed your and your wife's visit very much.

I studied carefully the material concerning the various possibilities of sites, but I must admit that if everything works out well, I am most attracted by the proposal of the Spanish Government. Especially because re-stu-dying the whole question will be much more time-consuming. I am very sorry that the English interest started relatively late and I do not think that I cannot give a contribution to a country which is so much blessed with treasures of old and modern times. But, as one says, it is always worth to try.

Thanking your for your efforts may I also wish you luck for all your valuable future projects.

Sincerely yours,

H.H. Thyssen-Bornemisza

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Private Secretary to Secretary of State for the Environment

Trevor Woolley We spooke about the altached letter which has just awired here ab lunch time today. On your advice I have not islayed its contents to Hanke's - Direlsma, I am however copying this note & bhe letter & Andy Bearpark (No 10) Eleanor Goodson (and Alan Rus)
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