

PRIME MINISTER

Lunch for the President of the Ivory
Coast on Wednesday, 27 July

I attach the list of guests attending the lunch tomorrow together with a draft seating plan. The seating plan has been sent by John Coles.

Do you agree please?

Sue Goodchild

26 July 1983

c.c. Mr. Denis Thatcher
Mr. Mark Thatcher

* Interpreter

LIST OF GUESTS ATTENDING THE LUNCHEON TO BE GIVEN BY THE PRIME MINISTER AND MR. DENIS THATCHER IN HONOUR OF HIS EXCELLENCY MONSIEUR FELIX HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE IVORY COAST ON WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 1983 AT 1.00 PM FOR 1.15 PM

* The Prime Minister
* and Mr. Denis Thatcher

Mr. Mark Thatcher

Ivorian Suite

* His Excellency Monsieur Felix Houphouet-Boigny President of the Ivory Coast

His Excellency Monsieur Siméon Aké Minister of Foreign Affairs

Monsieur Simplicie Zinsou Son-in-law and daughter of the
and Madame Zinsou President

* His Excellency Monsieur Abdoulaye Kone Minister of Economy and Finance

* His Excellency Monsieur Denis Bra Kanon Minister of Agriculture

His Excellency Monsieur le Gouverneur Guy Nairay Director Cabinet of the
Presidency

His Excellency the Ambassador of the Ivory Coast
and Madame Essienne

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur George Ouégnin Director of Protocol at the
Presidency

Colonel Gustave Kouassi Oufoue Military Commander at the
Presidential Palace and first
ADC

Dr. Pierre Vacher President's personal physician

Monsieur Yves Bini Press Attaché

Commandant Nicolas Kouakou Konan Second ADC

Madame Yvonne Plazanet Attaché de Cabinet

Monsieur Abdoulaye Diallo Attaché de Cabinet

HM Government

Rt. Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP

Rt. Hon. Nigel Lawson, MP
and Mrs. Lawson

Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, MP
and Mrs. Rifkind

Mr. John Selwyn Gummer, MP
and Mrs. Gummer

Other Organisations

Mr. Robin Leigh-Pemberton Governor of the Bank of England
and Mrs. Leigh-Pemberton

Other Organisations - continued

Sir John Burgh Director General, British Council

Sir Woodrow Wyatt
and Lady Wyatt Chairman, Horserace Totalisator Board

Academics

Professor J.S. Webb Pro-Rector, The Polytechnic of Central London (links with College of Electrical Engineering at Bingerville)

Mr. Arnold Hughes
and Mrs. Hughes Lecturer and author of articles on Ivory Coast. Centre for West African Studies, University of Birmingham

Media

Mr. D. Muggeridge
and Mrs. Muggeridge Managing Director, BBC External Services

Commerce

Mr. J.F. Barnes
and Mrs. Barnes Chairman. Gill & Duffus Ltd. Has met the President. Gill & Duffus active in Ivory Coast

The Lord Kindersley
and Lady Kindersley Chairman, Commonwealth Development Corporation

Sir Adam Thomson Chairman, British Caledonian Airways

Mr. William Taylor
and Mrs. Taylor Vice President, Phillips Petroleum Co. Europe-Africa (Phillips Petroleum active in Ivorian offshore oil industry

Mr. J. Louden
and Mrs. Louden Chairman, UAC International

Rt. Hon. Earl Jellicoe
and Countess Jellicoe Chairman, BOTB. Former Tate & Lyle Ltd. Visited Ivory Coast in 1981

Mr. Bernard Audley
and Mrs. Audley AGB Research Ltd.

Other Guests

Major General G.H. Mills
and Mrs. Mills Resident-Governor and Keeper of the Jewel House, HM Tower of London (which the President is visiting)

Mr. M.R. Uziell-Hamilton
and Mrs. Uziell-Hamilton Chairman, Anglo-Ivory Coast Society. Chairman, Anglo-African Group, Westminster Chamber of Commerce

Officials

Sir Robert Armstrong
and Lady Armstrong

Secretary to the Cabinet

Sir John Leahy
and Lady Leahy

Deputy Under Secretary, Foreign
and Commonwealth Office

Mr. J.M. Willson
and Mrs. Willson

HM Ambassador, Ivory Coast

Mr. M.F. Daly
and Mrs. Daly

Head of West African Department,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office
(former Ambassador to the Ivory
Coast)

10 Downing Street

Rt. Hon. Michael Alison, MP

Mr. John Coles

I PRIME MINISTER

I HE MONSIEUR FELIX
HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY

HE Monsieur Siméon Ake

I MR. DENIS THATCHER

Rt. Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe

Monsieur Simplicie Zinsou

Madame Zinsou

Mrs. Lawson

Rt. Hon. Nigel Lawson

Monsieur Abdoulaye Koné

Mr. Malcolm Rifkind

Mr. Robin Leigh-Pemberton

HE Monsieur Denis Bra Kanon I

Hon. Earl Jellicoe

HE Monsieur le Gouverneur
Guy Nairay

HE The Ambassador of the
Ivory Coast

Mrs. Rifkind

me Essienne

The Lord Kindersley

The Countess Jellicoe

Mr. John Selwyn Gummer

Robert Armstrong

Mrs. Leigh-Pemberton

Sir Woodrow Wyatt

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur Georges
Ouégnin

Wyatt

Colonel Gustave Kouassi Oufoué

Dr. Pierre Vacher

Lady Armstrong

ieur Yves Bini

Mrs. Selwyn Gummer

Lady Leahy

Sir Adam Thomson

John Leahy

Major General G.H. Mills

Professor J.S. Webb

The Lady Kindersley

Louden

Mr. Douglas Muggeridge

Mrs. Mills

Sir John Burgh

J.M. Willson

Mrs. Hughes

Mr. J.F. Barnes

Mrs. Muggeridge

Barnes

Commandant Nicholas Kouakou Konan
Madame Yvonne Plazanet

Mr. Mark Thatcher

William Taylor

Mr. M.F. Daly

Mr. Arnold Hughes

Mrs. Willson

Uziell-Hamilton

Monsieur Abdoulaye Diallo

Mrs. Audley

Mr. M.R. Uziell-Hamilton

Bernard Audley

Mrs. Daly

Mr. J. Louden

Mrs. Taylor

Mr. John Coles

Rt. Hon. Michael Alison

ENTRANCE

Interpreters



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

6 July 1983

Jan Tobin,

Official Visit of President Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory
Coast: 27 - 29 July

I enclose a list of suggested guests and reserves for the luncheon to be given by the Prime Minister in honour of President Houphouet-Boigny on 27 July.

We have just heard that Madame Houphouet-Boigny will not be accompanying her husband to London. We nevertheless think it would be appropriate for the luncheon to be a mixed function. There are precedents for this for West African visitors, for example when President Stevens of Sierra Leone came in November 1980 without his wife. The Duke of Kent's luncheon (under DOT/BOTB auspices on 29 July) is likely to be stag. We have included those British Ministers whose Ivorian counterparts (ie the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Economy and Finance, and Agriculture) will be members of the President's suite.

The President's own personal interests and hobbies appear to be very few, and since there is no large, influential or interesting Ivorian community in this country, it has been more difficult than usual to draw up a wide spectrum of guests. We have tried to include representatives from business and academic circles who are known to have an interest in the Ivory Coast.

We shall welcome guidance in due course on the format of the talks before the lunch. The President would doubtless welcome a short tete-a-tete with the Prime Minister, followed perhaps by a short plenary session at which the Ministers, the Ivorian Ambassador and one or two of his senior officials could be present. We shall also need to provide an interpreter (the President has no English).

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We have told the Ivorians that the lunch at No 10 will not be the occasion for a major speech. The President will have an opportunity to address a wide audience, in public, at the Duke of Kent's luncheon.

We shall of course prepare briefing nearer the time.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R B Bone', written in a cursive style.

(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
10 Downing Street

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GUEST LIST FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S LUNCH

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE IVORY COAST:

27 JULY 1983

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE (9)

HE M. Félix Houphouet-Boigny GCMG	President of the Republic of the Ivory Coast
HE M. Siméon Aké	Minister of Foreign Affairs
HE M. Abdoulaye Koné	Minister of Economy and Finance
HE M. Denis Bra Kanon	Minister of Agriculture
HE M. le Gouverneur Guy Nairay CBE	Directeur de Cabinet to the President
HE M. l'Ambassadeur Georges Ouégnin CBE	Directeur de Protocole to the President
HE M. Dieudonné Essienne and Mme Essienne	Ambassador of the Ivory Coast
HE Mr. J M Willson	HM Ambassador to the Ivory Coast

HM GOVERNMENT (8)

The Rt. Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe QC MP
and Lady Howe

Secretary of State for
Foreign and Commonwealth
Affairs

The Rt. Hon. Nigel Lawson MP
and Mrs Lawson

Chancellor of the
Exchequer

The Rt. Hon. Michael Jopling MP
and Mrs Jopling

Minister for Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food

Mr and Mrs Malcolm Rifkind MP

Minister of State
Foreign and Commonwealth
Office



OTHER PARLIAMENTARIANS (7)

Lord Carrington PC KCMG MC
and Lady Carrington

(Visited Ivory Coast as
Secretary of State in
February 1981)

Rt. Hon. Edward Heath MBE MP

(Visited Ivory Coast in
October 1982. Met
President)

Rt. Hon. Mr Michael Foot MP
and Mrs Foot

Rt. Hon. Roy Jenkins MP
and Mrs Jenkins



OFFICIALS (6)

Sir Robert Armstrong GCB, CVO
and Lady Armstrong

Secretary to the
Cabinet

Sir John Leahy KCMG
and Lady Leahy

Deputy Under-Secretary,
Foreign and Commonwealth
Office

[Mr and Mrs M F Daly

Head of West African
Department (and former
Ambassador to the Ivory
Coast)]



OTHER ORGANISATIONS (4)

Mr and Mrs Leigh-Pemberton
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Governor

(601 4444)

Sir John Burgh CB and Lady Burgh
The British Council
10 Spring Gardens
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Director-General
British Council

(930 8466)

CHURCH (1)

His Eminence Cardinal Basil Hume
Archbishop of Westminster
Archbishop's House
Westminster
SW1P 1QJ

(President Houphouet-
Boigny is Catholic)

(834 4717)



ACADEMICS (3)

Professor J S Webb
The Polytechnic of Central London
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Pro-Rector
(links with College of
Electrical Engineering
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Mr and Mrs Arnold Hughes
Centre for West African Studies
University of Birmingham
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Lecturer and author of
articles on Ivory Coast

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MEDIA (6)

Mr D Muggeridge CBE and Mrs
Muggeridge
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Managing Director
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(240 3456)

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(624 6424 - home
837 1234 - office)

Rt Hon William F Deedes PC MC
and Mrs Deedes
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Aldington, Kent

Editor - Daily Telegraph

(Aldington 629 - home
353 4242 - office)

COMMERCE (16)

Mr and Mrs J F Barnes
Chairman
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SE1

(407 7050)

Has met Houphouet-Boigny.
Gill and Duffus active
in Ivory Coast

Lord and Lady Kindersley
Commonwealth Development Corporation
33 Hill Street W1

(629 8484)

Chairman of Commonwealth
Development Corporation
(active in Ivory Coast)
and Vice-Chairman of
Lazard Bros.

Sir Adam and Lady Thomson KBE
154 Buckswood Drive
Crawley
West Sussex

(office no. 0293 27890)

Chairman
British Caledonian
Airways

Mr and Mrs E B Guitar
Phillips Petroleum Co. Europe-Africa
Portland House
Stag Place
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(828 9766)

President
(Phillips Petroleum
active in Ivorian offshore
oil industry)

Mr and Mrs J Louden
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UAC House
Blackfriars Road
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(928 2070)

Chairman

Mr and Mrs R Haslam
Tate and Lyle Limited
Sugar Quay
Lower Thames Street
EC3

(626 6525)

Chairman

Mr and Mrs P E G Bates
The Plessey Company Limited
Millbank Tower
21 Millbank, SW1

(834 3855)

Rt Hon Earl Jellicoe DSO MC PC
and Lady Jellicoe
BOTB
1 Victoria Street, SW1

(215 7877)

Deputy Chairman
Plessey Electronic Systems
(Visited Ivory Coast in
1981 with Lord Trefgarne)

(Chairman BOTB. Former
Chairman Tate & Lyle Ltd.
Visited Ivory Coast in 1981.)



OTHER GUESTS (4)

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Anglo-Ivory Coast Society
4 Chandos Street
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(580 6562)

Resident-Governor and
Keeper of the Jewel House
(which the President is
visiting).

Secretary Anglo-Ivory Coast
Society,
Vice-Chairman Anglo-Afrique
Group, Westminster Chamber
of Commerce.

RESERVES

HM GOVERNMENT

Mrs Peggy Fenner MP and Mr Fenner

Parliamentary Secretary,
MAFF (visited Ivory Coast
in 1982)

The Rt. Hon. Timothy Raison MP
and Mrs Raison

Minister of Overseas
Development

Mr and Mrs J S Gummer MP

Joint Parliamentary
Under-Secretary, Department
of Employment (Visited
Ivory Coast in October 1982)

Lord and Lady Trefgarne

Parliamentary Under-
Secretary, Ministry of
Defence (Visited Ivory Coast
in March 1981)

Mr and Mrs Giles Shaw MP

Parliamentary Under-
Secretary, Department of
Energy (hosted reception
for Ivorian Minister in
November 1982)

The Rt. Hon. Paul Channon MP
and Mrs Channon

Minister of State for Trade



OTHER PARLIAMENTARIANS

Rt. Hon. Dr and Mrs David Owen MP

If Mr Jenkins unavailable

Rt. Hon. Denis Healey CH MBE MP
and Mrs Healey

If Mr Foot unavailable



OFFICIALS

Sir Anthony Parsons GCMG MVO MC
and Lady Parsons

Prime Minister's
Foreign Affairs Adviser

Mr D M Day CMG and Mrs Day

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ACADEMICS

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Specialist on
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(836 1973)

Director

Mr and Mrs J P G Wathen
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Chairman-of-Council
Royal African Society
and Vice-Chairman,
Barclays Bank.



MEDIA

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The Times
New Printing House Square
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African specialist,
previously editor of
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COMMERCE

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General Manager
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Sir Reginald and Lady Beaumont-Smith
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Hammersmith Grove W6

Chairman

(748 2000)

Sir Adrian and Lady Cadbury
Cadbury Schweppes Limited
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Chairman

(262 1212)

Lord and Lady Selsdon
33 Cadogan Lane
SW1

EEC Adviser
Midland Bank Group
(accompanied HRH The Duke
of Kent to Ivory Coast,
October 1981)

(235 8692)

Mr and Mrs A J Sheppard
The Wellcome Foundation Limited
183 Euston Road NW1

Chairman and Chief
Executor
(Wellcome had hoped the
President would visit them)

(387 4477)

Dr and Mrs J M Salomon
Foster Wheeler Energy Limited
Foster Wheeler House
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Reading
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Manager, Overseas
Business Developments

(0734 585211)

Mr and Mrs E S Margolies
S & W Berisford Limited
Berisford House
Mark Lane, EC3

Chairman and
Managing Director
(Commodity Dealers)

(481 9144)



OTHER GUESTS

Mr and Mrs J B Wright CMG
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(former Ambassador
to Ivory Coast 1975-78)