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*From the Private Secretary*

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SIGNOR ANDREOTTI'S TALKS WITH THE PRIME MINISTER

Thank you for your letter of 11 October pressing the case for Signor Andreotti's Press Officer to accompany him to Chequers. You really will have to tell the Italians to think of a better excuse: the idea of Andreotti being able to brief someone in an RAF helicopter belongs to the higher flights of fancy! We do have genuine difficulties about accommodating additional people at Chequers:— and we shall not have a Press Officer there ourselves. In the circumstances, I wonder if you could persuade them to desist.

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*Dear Charles,*

Andreotti's Talks with the Prime Minister: 20 October

The Italians have asked whether Signor Pio Mastrobuoni, Signor Andreotti's Press Officer, can accompany Signor Andreotti during his talks with the Prime Minister at Chequers. We have again explained that the Prime Minister wishes to keep the meeting small.

The Italians wonder whether Mastrobuoni can go to Chequers so that Andreotti can brief him on the talks on the way back to London. Would it be possible to find a corner for him at Chequers if he arrived and left in Andreotti's helicopter? (We could warn the Italians that lunch might not be available for him.)

*Yours ever,*

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