



Prime Minister

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

Would you be prepared to receive him briefly if we can find a convenient time?

22 June 1983

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Yes mt

Visit to Britain by Mr Manea Manescu

Mr Manea Manescu, Vice President of the Romanian State Council and member of the Political Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the Romanian Communist Party, has been invited to visit Britain as a Category I sponsored visitor. Precise timings have not yet been fixed: and HM Ambassador in Bucharest has reported that the Romanians are likely to need an indication of the level at which Mr Manescu will be received before they formally accept the invitation.

Mr Manescu is a prominent personality in Romania. He held the post of Prime Minister from 1974 to 1979 when he retired on grounds of ill-health, but last year he returned to a position of major influence in both the State and Party hierarchies. Mr Manescu is also a distinguished economist and is said to be advising President Ceausescu on the economy.

There have been few recent high-level contacts between Romania and Britain and we have fallen behind our major European partners who have regular exchanges at Ministerial level. (The Romanian Foreign Minister was recently received by Mr Shultz, Herr Genscher and M. Cheysson.) Mr Manescu's Category I visit will afford us a rare opportunity for contact with a senior member of the Romanian hierarchy.

Sir Geoffrey Howe has agreed in principle to receive Mr Manescu and I should be grateful to know whether the Prime Minister would also be prepared in principle to accept a short call. It need be no longer than 10 minutes and could take place either at the House of Commons or 10 Downing Street, to suit the Prime Minister's convenience. You will recall that the Chairman of the Romanian Grand National Assembly, Mr Giosan, was received briefly by the Prime Minister during his successful sponsored visit to Britain in January 1981.

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(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
10 Downing Street



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Prime Minister

Sorry. Agree?

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24 June 1983

Visit to Britain by Mr. Manea Manescu

Thank you for your letter of 22 June.

The Prime Minister is prepared in principle to receive Mr. Manescu, provided a convenient time can be found.

JOHN COLES

Roger Bone, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

12 September 1983

I write to acknowledge with thanks your letter of 12 September enclosing the Curriculum Vitae of His Excellency Mr. Manea Manescu, Vice-President of the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Romania.

A. J. COLES

His Excellency Monsieur Vasile Gliga



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EMBASSY OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC
OF ROMANIA




4 PALACE GREEN
LONDON W8

12th September 1983

Dear Mr. Coles,

I have the pleasure to send to you hereby enclosed the Curriculum Vitae of His Excellency Mr. Manea Mănescu, Vice-President of the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Romania, who will pay an official visit to Great Britain between 17th September - 24th September 1983.

Yours sincerely

Vasile Gliga
(Ambassador)

Mr. A.G.Coles
Private Secretary to the
Prime Minister
10 Downing Street, SW1

Professor **MANEA MĂNESCU**

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Professor Manea Mănescu was born on August 9, 1916, in the town of Brăila. At an early age, he took part in the democratic movement, actively participating, during the Second World War, in the national struggle of resistance for the liberation of Romania from the Nazi dictatorship. Having finished university economic studies, at the Bucharest Academy of High Commercial and Industrial Studies, Professor Manea Mănescu carried out a vast didactic theoretical and practical economic activity.

Professor Manea Mănescu began his economic activity in the oil industry. Between 1948 and 1966, he held economic positions

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of high responsibility: in the leadership of State Planning Committee; General Director of the Central Statistical Board; Finance Minister; as well as in other economic institutions carrying out a constant activity in the fields of economy, planning and finances for the social-economic development of Romania; at the same time, he has continued his activity as a university professor in the economic higher education and for scientific research in the field of social-economic life.

Professor Manea Mănescu participated in the elaboration of seven five-year plans of Romania for the years 1951 to 1985 as well as in the elaboration of the prospectives for horizon 1990 and 2000.

Between 1967 and 1972, Professor Manea Mănescu held the position of President of the Economic Council of Romania and from 1969 to 1972 he was Vice-President of the State Council of the Socialist Republic of Romania.

In 1982, he was elected again Vice-President of the State Council.

Between 1972 and 1974, he held the position of Vice-President of the Council of Ministers and President of the State Planning Committee. In 1973, he was elected Vice-President of the Supreme Council for Social and Economic Development of Romania.

In 1982, he was elected again Vice-President of the Supreme Council for Social and Economic Development.

In 1974, Professor Manea Mănescu was elected by the Grand National Assembly as the Prime Minister of the Government. After the elections to Grand National Assembly in 1975, Professor Manea Mănescu was re-elected as Prime Minister of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania, position which he held until 1979.

In 1982, Professor Manea Mănescu was appointed as President of the National Council for Unitary Management of the Land Fund.

In the positions he held, Professor Manea Mănescu held numerous meetings, talks and negotiations with Heads of Government and other Governmental officials concluding understandings and agreements on economic, technical, scientific and cultural co-operation.

He has been member of the Grand National Assembly since 1961. During 1961-1969, he was President of the Economic and Financial Committee of the Parliament.

For his long didactic and scientific activity, Professor Manea Mănescu was elected member of the Romanian Academy and member of the Academy of Social and Political Sciences of the Socialist Republic of Romania. He has also been a member of a number of foreign academies and scientific institutions; he has published a series of studies and carried

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out research in the fields of economy, sociology and economic cybernetics.

For his long activity on national and international plane, Professor Manea Mănescu has been decorated with high Romanian and foreign orders.