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5<sup>th</sup> January 1984

Dear Prime Minister,

I would like you to know how much we in the Army appreciate you finding the time to meet

Colonel Gordon Fergusson on his return from Beirut.

It will have meant a very great deal to him and his

Regiment. He has certainly done a first class job

for us out there.

I hope it won't be too long before you manage

to visit them there yourself. It is not until you see

the extraordinary set up there that the whole  
picture becomes alive.

With all good wishes for 1984

Yours sincerely

John Stenius.

~~6 JAN 1984~~

Please to reply this time!

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MR. COLES

MOD have suggested that the Prime Minister might like to see Colonel Ferguson, who is the most recent 'ex' Commander in the Lebanon, today or tomorrow.

There is a slot in the diary at 1130 hours tomorrow.

1200

Would the Prime Minister like to meet Col. Ferguson?

+ Chief of Defence Staff

DSG.

p.p. Timothy Flesher

4 January 1984

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10 DOWNING STREET

*From the Private Secretary*

5 January 1984

Britforleb

The Prime Minister has expressed interest in the possibility of members of Britforleb being awarded a medal in recognition of their service in the Lebanon. I should be grateful if you could let me know, within a week or so, what the possibilities are.

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I am copying this letter to Peter Ricketts (Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

A. J. COLES

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