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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

31 October 1983

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you and your wife for your letter of 27 October inviting Mrs. Thatcher to a reception on Friday, 4 November on the occasion of the visit of the Prime Minister of Greece to the United Kingdom.

The Prime Minister much regrets that it will not be possible for her and Mr. Thatcher to accept your kind invitation on this occasion.

A. J. COLES

His Excellency Monsieur Nikos Kyriazides

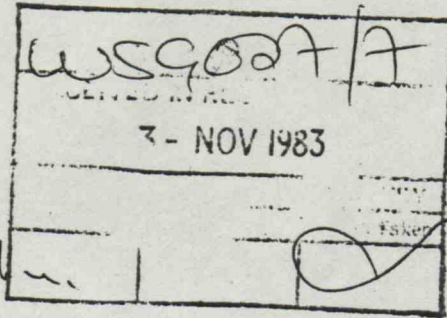
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28 October 1983



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Visit of Greek Prime Minister: 4 November

My letter of 24 October attached a suggested guest list for the Prime Minister's lunch for Mr Papandreou on 4 November. The Greeks have now told us that Mr Papandreou will not bring his Foreign Minister Mr Haralambopoulos, but that the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr Varfis (who deals with European Community matters) will come instead. His name should therefore be substituted for that of the Foreign Minister in the guest list.

There will also be another eight people in Mr Papandreou's party. Of these, we believe that at least two should be invited: Mahairitsas (Mr Papandreou's diplomatic adviser) and Katapodis (Political Director). The Embassy at Athens have suggested inviting a further three as well, if possible. If any of these Greek officials are invited, we think some senior British officials should be present too, to maintain a balance. I understand that there have been four refusals so far from the original list. This would allow us to ask three of the Greeks and one British official (without wife). I assume, however, that there may well be further refusals.

I attach a list of possible additional guests to a total of nine (including two wives who could be left out if space is a problem). If you agree, we might check with the Greeks which officials they want to choose to fill any additional places when we know how many are available.

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Private Secretary

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28 October, 1983

Visit of Prime Minister of Greece: 4 November

Thank you for your letter of 27 October. I think that the list of subjects which you suggest could be proposed to the Greeks as the basis for the agenda on 4 November. But I doubt if the Prime Minister will wish to be bound by a formal agenda. Perhaps you would therefore make it clear to the Greeks that this is an indicative list and the Prime Minister will wish to agree with Mr. Papandreou at the start of their talks precisely which subjects they will wish to cover and in what order.

I am copying this letter to Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

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The Ambassador

Greek Embassy

London

27 October 1983

Prime Minister.

Agree to decline?

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Dear Prime Minister,

Reply - Yes no

I have the honour to inform you, that, on the occasion of the Prime Minister of Greece, Mr. Andreas G. Papandreou's visit to the United Kingdom, I and my wife are hosting a reception at our residence, 51 Upper Brook Street, W1., on Friday, 4th November 1983 at 7.30pm.

It would be a great honour if you Prime Minister and Mr Thatcher would graciously accept an invitation to this reception.

Please accept the renewed assurance of my highest consideration

Nikos Kyriazides

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