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10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

2 April, 1984

Dear Sir Campbell

Thank you for your letter of 29 March.

I very much regret that I am not going to be able to meet the President of the Sumitomo Bank in Tokyo. I would like to have done so - and do please tell him of my interest - but I have a hectic schedule at that time. We've got German bilaterals all day on Wednesday, 2 May, which makes Thursday, 3 May, particularly overcrowded, in addition to my weekly Cabinet meeting and Prime Minister's Questions in the House of Commons.

With best wishes, and please pass on this reluctant refusal to Mr. Komatsu.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Sir Campbell Fraser

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From
Sir Campbell Fraser
President

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29 March 1984

Dear Prime Minister,

The President of the Sumitomo Bank in Tokyo, Mr. Koh Komatsu, will be visiting this country on 2 and 3 May.

Mr. Komatsu would greatly appreciate having an interview with you during his visit and has asked me to enquire whether it would be possible for me to bring him to Downing Street to call on you for half an hour during the afternoon of Thursday 3 May.

The Sumitomo Bank has operated in the UK for over sixty years and Mr. Komatsu is keenly interested in Japanese investment in Britain. The Bank would wish to play a substantial part in investment; in that respect Mr. Komatsu's visit is timely.

I know well the many demands on your time, but I should be more than grateful if you were able to see Mr. Komatsu while he is in London.

*Yours sincerely,
Campbell Fraser*

The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher MP
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