

PRIME MINISTER

cc Mrs. Gaisman

The Chief Rabbi has been in touch with two requests:

- could be possibly have half an hour of your time at some point in the next month or so? I am sure you will want to agree. *Yes*
- he wonders whether he might be included in one of the meals for Mr. Gorbachev, so that he could at least make himself known? I imagine that you would want him either at No.10 or at the Palace lunch.

→ Yes

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Mr. Charles Powell,
 Private Secretary,
 10 Downing Street,
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Dear Mr Powell.

Thank you for your letter of the 24th
 November, 1988.

The Chief Rabbi looks forward to meeting with
 the Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street on
 the 19th December at 12 noon.

I am most grateful to you for the
 consideration you have given to my earlier
 note and I look forward to hearing further
 from you.

Yours,

Simon Cohen.

PM: Matrye wtl
Chief Rabbi

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From the Private Secretary

24 November 1988

Thank you for your letter of 22 November. The Prime Minister would very much like to see the Chief Rabbi. She could manage 12 noon on 19 December if that were convenient for the Chief Rabbi.

We have not yet drawn up guestlists for various functions during President Gorbachev's visit but we shall have the Chief Rabbi's interest very much in mind.

I am so sorry that I was unable to get to Lady Jakobovits's cocktails, and even sorrier that I have not written before to apologise. But as you surmised it was swallowed up - like a good deal else of my life - in some sudden crisis. I do hope she will forgive me.

Mr. Shimon Cohen

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Dear Mr. Powell,

Thank you for giving of your time on the telephone earlier today and too for giving consideration to my two requests. I look forward to hearing from you further, soon.

I was sorry that you were unable to be with us at cocktails last week as I have been looking forward to meeting you for a long time. I would greatly value such an opportunity. Perhaps something could be arranged.

In the meantime, my best wishes and personal thanks,

Yours,

Simon Cohen,