



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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16 April 1981

Dear Mike,

US Trade Representative

Ambassador William E Brock III, the US Trade Representative, is visiting London on 28-29 May. He is a member of President Reagan's Cabinet and former Chairman of the Republican National Committee (from 1977 to 1981).

The US Embassy have asked for an appointment for Mr Brock to call on the Prime Minister. They say that Brock knows Mrs Thatcher quite well. I understand that he will be calling on Mr Parkinson and possibly on Mr Biffen. Lord Carrington will see him on 29 May. Unless the Prime Minister has a particular wish to see Mr Brock, for example, on grounds of her personal acquaintance with him, and subject to any further advice which the Department of Trade may wish to give you, Lord Carrington sees no reason to press the Prime Minister to see Mr Brock.

I am copying this letter to John Rhodes (Dept of Trade).

yours ever
Roderic Lyne

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From the Secretary of State

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30. April 1981

Dear Mike

VISIT OF UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Roderic Lyne's letter to you of 16 April suggests that, subject to further advice from the Department of Trade, there is no pressing need for the Prime Minister to see Mr Brock when he is in the United Kingdom on 28-29 May.

We agree, Mr Brock will be seeing Mr Biffen and Mr Parkinson on 29 May, in addition to Lord Carrington so unless the Prime Minister has any personal wish to see Mr Brock, it is thought that a call upon her would be unnecessary.

I am copying this letter to Roderic Lyne in the FCO.

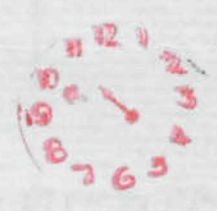
Yours sincerely

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Private Secretary



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From the Private Secretary

27 April 1981

Thank you for your letter of 16 April regarding the visit of Ambassador Brock III, the US Trade Representative.

I am afraid the Prime Minister will not be able to meet with him as she will not be in London that week.

M. O'D. B. ALEXANDER

R. M. J. Lyne, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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~~MR ALEXANDER~~

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Unless you think
Ambassador Brock is extremely
important I hope you will sign the
attached letter to Roderic Lyne.
I am really trying very hard to see
that the PM gets a bit of a break.
In addition she is going to have to
undergo extensive sessions at the
dentist that week.

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21 April 1981



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Caroline

MM may want to do this,
although it will probably
have to be at Chequers.

I think you will have to
put it to her O/A, after
consulting MOOBA.

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