



MR. WICKS

The Mayor of Florence will be present in the courtyard of the Pitti Palace when Prime Minister Craxi says goodbye to the Prime Minister. The Mayor will lead the Prime Minister into the Vasari Corridor and on to the Uffizzi Gallery. The Mayor has two gifts for the Prime Minister - a gold ~~sovereign~~<sup>florin</sup> given to very distinguished visitors and a book of Michaelangelo drawings.

Mr. Rawlinson, the Consul, said that the Mayor mentioned at the airport that he would raise with the Prime Minister the question of Britain lending Florence some paintings for Florence's Cultural Year (1986). The Consul said he should not raise this because the Prime Minister would not have been briefed and it would be better if the Mayor were to give the Consul a piece of paper and he would take action on it. However, you may wish to warn the Prime Minister in case the Mayor mentions it.

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- The Home Secretary should have this.

- We have briefed accordingly

- NB - The extradition Treaty will have to be ratified and that could take a year.

- The Italians are not giving home to anyone we want; we have 5 or 7 people they want whom

NOTE ON EFFECT OF NEW EXTRADITION TREATY

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- Under the new Extradition Treaty, the Italian authorities can reapply to the English Courts for the extradition of the group of so-called neo-fascists. If they produce evidence of offences connected with fire arms, explosives or drugs, ~~or~~ <sup>all</sup> newly covered by the Treaty, then extradition can follow.

- Furthermore, the Home Secretary is proposing a draft law to Parliament which would reduce the levels of evidence (prima facie or probable cause) which an English court would require before agreeing to extradition. If that new law is approved next year it will automatically become easier to achieve extradition from England in all cases.

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