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BELFAST, 4.

25th November, 1966.

Dear Mr Lynch,

Thank you so much for your very kind and welcome letter. I am glad to say that the operation went off very well and I hope to be back on my feet again before too long.

May I take this opportunity of congratulating you on your elevation to the "hot seat". No doubt you are already finding that it is not an unmitigated pleasure to occupy the chair at the head of the Cabinet table.

Once again very many thanks for your good wishes.

*Yours sincerely**Severance Phibbs*

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Text read to Mr. Whitaker on 'phone this morning.
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