

BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.,
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No. 63

Sir,

1690/20/40 With reference to my telegram No. 1812 of the 24th August, 1940, and to connected correspondence regarding the disposition of contributions for the "Spitfire Fund", I have the honour to report the following additional large contributions which have been received within the past week:

-/10	Mrs. Theodore Beebe, Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts	\$10,000.00
-/11	Mrs. E. Wenden, c/o Mrs. Ormond Gould, "Landsend", Fort Lauderdale, Florida	\$ 5,000.00.

2. These amounts have been paid into His Majesty's Government's Current Account "G" with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. I have thought it advisable to make this notification in case it may be desired to transfer the sterling equivalent of the fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to the Ministry of Aircraft Production in advance of the receipt of my "Contributions" account for the current quarter.

3. Letters of thanks have been sent to the two contributors but the Minister of Aircraft Production may also wish to acknowledge the gifts. In this connexion, however, I have to state that Mrs. Wenden particularly desires that her gift should receive no publicity.

I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect,
Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

(SGD) N. M. BUTLER

The Right Honourable
Anthony Eden, M.C., M.P.,
etc., etc., etc.

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