

Governor-
General's
Office,



Queen's Cottage,
Nuwara Eliya,
Ceylon.

Reference:
No. PS. 78

12th April 1957.

Dear Sir,

I have been requested by His Excellency Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, Governor-General, to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter of the 19th March 1957 and to send you the enclosed autographed photograph with his best compliments.

The following is the 'Curriculum Vitae' of His Excellency the Governor-General:

"GOONETILLEKE, Sir Oliver Ernest, G.C.M.G. (1954), K.C.V.O. (1954), K.B.E. (1944); B.A., London; Governor-General of Ceylon since 16th July 1954; b. 1892; son of A.E. Goonetilleke; m. 1920 Esther Jayawardana (d. 1931); one s. two d.;

Record of Public Services: Assistant Auditor, for Railways, Ceylon, 1921; Assistant Colonial Auditor, 1924; Colonial Auditor, June 1931; Auditor-General, July 1931; Civil Defence and Food Commissioner, Ceylon, 1942; Member, Ceylon War Council, 1942; Financial Secretary under the Donoughmore Constitution, 1945-47; Minister of Home Affairs and Rural Development, Ceylon, under the Independent Constitution, 1947-48; Ceylon High Commissioner in London, 1948-51; Minister of Home Affairs and Rural Development, Ceylon, 1951-52; of Agriculture and Food, 1952-53; Minister of Finance, October 1953-June 1954; also Leader of the Senate.

Ceylon Government Delegate to International Railway Congress, Cairo, 1933; Chairman, Retrenchment Commission, 1938; Chairman, Salaries Commission, 1945; Steward, Ceylon Turf Club and Galle Gymkhana Club; Chairman, War Fund of Social and Sports Clubs of Ceylon; Royal Society of International Affairs; Royal Empire Society; Royal India, Pakistan and Ceylon Society; National Small-Bore Rifle Association; Empire Day Movement; Member, Royal Indian Association.

Address: Queen's House, Colombo, Ceylon.

Clubs: National Liberal, Travellers' (England).

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to the Governor-General

Senor Agustin Basave,
"El Norte",
Monterrey, N.L.,
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G.C.M.G. Grand Cross of Military Government
K.C.V.O. Knight Commander of Victoria Order
K.B.E. Knight of the British Empire
B.A. Bachelor of Arts