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Hi to all you wonderful people that look forward to my dirge each month. Not really much to report, still busy but then you would have expected that. The picture is nothing more than an interesting picture and not related to anything here but it makes me smile. Anyway I thought I would add an interesting odd, amusing and funny british political fact 10 Downing Street is one of the most heavily protected buildings in Britain. Apart from the "decorative" policeman, the front door cannot be opened at all from the outside because it has no handle, and no one can enter the building without passing through an airport-style scanner and a set of security gates manned by armed guards. Despite this, we have heard that in the first five years after Tony Blair became Prime Minister [1997 -2002], 37 computers, 4 mobile phones, two cameras, a mini-disc player, a video recorder, four printers, two projectors and a bicycle were stolen from inside the house.

