

Basic Detail Report

**Ugo La Malfa and Ciriaco De Mita at the
Ministero del Bilancio**

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Ciriaco Luigi De Mita is an Italian politician. He served as the 47th Prime Minister of Italy from 1988 to 1989 and as Member of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2013. The Christian Democrats did well in the elections of 1987. De Mita waited a year to become Prime Minister, and then served as Prime Minister for a year, maintaining the party chairmanship. At the beginning of that service, on 16 April 1988, in Forlì, Red Brigades killed Senator Roberto Ruffilli, an advisor of De Mita. Ugo La Malfa was an Italian politician, and an important leader in the Italian Republican Party, of which his son, Giorgio La Malfa, is now president. For many, La Malfa was "the needle" that sewed the Italian republic together and kept it from coming undone, especially because of his role as a peacemaker between contrasting parties. He alone seemed to realize the futility and irresponsibility of governing without the communists who held upwards of one third of the parliament.

Dimensions

Overall: 30.3 x 20.3 cm (11 7/8 x 8 in.)