

Basic Detail Report

Journalist Eugenio Scalfari and Carlo De Benedetti shake hands. De Benedetti acquired the CIR Group in 1976, thereby also obtaining control of the national newspaper La Repubblica and the newsmagazine L'Espresso

Date

1976-1976

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Eugenio Scalfari is an Italian journalist, editor of the news magazine L'espresso (1963–1968), former member of parliament in the Italian Chamber of Deputies (1968–1972), co-founder of the newspaper La Repubblica and its editor from 1976 to 1996. In 1955 he was among the founders of the Radical Party. In October 1955, jointly with Arrigo Benedetti he co-founded one of Italy's foremost newsmagazines L'Espresso with capital from the progressive industrialist Adriano Olivetti, manufacturer of Olivetti typewriters. Carlo De Benedetti is an Italian industrialist, engineer and publisher. He is both an Italian and naturalized Swiss citizen. For a brief period, from 4 May to 25 August 1976, he was appointed CEO of FIAT. His resignation from Fiat was caused, according to De Benedetti, by his decision to lay off 65,000 workers, which was refused by Fiat head Gianni Agnelli; other sources say that he was suspected of trying to build up a takeover of power within the company, with the backing Swiss financial groups. In November 1976, De Benedetti acquired the CIR Group, thereby also obtaining control of the national newspaper La

Repubblica and the newsmagazine L'Espresso. In 1978 he became CEO of the Italian manufacturer Olivetti, where he remained until his resignation in 1996.

Dimensions

Overall: 18.1 x 24.3 cm (7 1/8 x 9 4/8 in.)