

# Basic Detail Report

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**Communist Party member Giorgio**

**Napolitano (who later became the longest serving president of Italy) gets into a car with Socialist Party member Claudio Signorile**

**Date**

1969-1979

**Medium**

gelatin silver print

**Description**

Claudio Signorile is an Italian academic, and politician with the Italian Socialist Party (PSI) - he joined in 1956, first as the secretary of the Socialist Youth Federation (until 1965), and then a member of the national leadership of the Party, becoming deputy secretary from 1976 to 1981. After Riccardo Lombardi, he was the leader of the left 'Lombardiana' within the party, and was among the protagonists of the so-called "turn of Midas" that led Bettino Craxi at the top of the PSI and then the Presidency of the Council. At the Congress of Turin of 1978 he was elected deputy secretary of the party, where he was in charge of economic policy, but was replaced in 1981 after differences of opinion with the leaders. Giorgio Napolitano is an Italian politician who was the 11th President of Italy from 2006 to 2015. Due to his dominant position in Italian politics, critics often refer to him as Re Giorgio ("King George"). He is the longest serving President in the history of the modern Italian Republic, which has been in existence since 1946. He was a longtime member of the Italian Communist Party (and of its post-Communist successors, from the Democratic Party of the Left onwards), and influential in the modernising faction for the party. He was first elected to the Chamber of Deputies in 1953.

## Dimensions

Overall: 20.2 x 30.3 cm (8 x 11 7/8 in.)