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**PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE**
SERIAL No. T 118 8/79

PS/NO 10 DOWNING STREET

MR R L WADE-GERY)
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Prime Minister

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TELEGRAM NUMBER 124 OF 14 OCTOBER.

FOLLOWING SENT AT REQUEST OF PRESIDENT TOLBERT.

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BEGINS:

THE RT. HONOURABLE MARGARET THATCHER
PRIME MINISTER OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
10 DOWNING STREET
LONDON, ENGLAND.

YOUR KIND MESSAGE CONCERNING THE CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS WAS
DELIVERED TO ME TODAY BY THE HAND OF AMBASSADOR DOUBLEDAY AND
I THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING ME WITH AN ASSESSMENT OF THE POSITION
NOW REACHED STOP YOUR ASSERTION THAT IN THE NEGOTIATIONS BOTH
SIDES HAVE SHOWN A WILLINGNESS TO COMPROMISE IS INDEED HEARTENING
FOR AS I URGED IN MY RECENT CABLE TO YOU CMA ONLY IN AN ATMOSPHERE
OF ACCOMMODATION CMA FLEXIBILITY AND CONCILIATION WILL A JUST AND
ACCEPTABLE RESULT BE ACHIEVED FROM THE CONFERENCE STOP WE THEREFORE
ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE YOUR BEST EFFORTS TO THIS END STOP WE HAVE
NOTED YOUR COMMENT REGARDING THE QUESTION OF LAND AND PARTICULARLY
YOUR RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS PROBLEM TO THE PARTIES
CONCERNED STOP WHILE THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION MAKES PROVISION FOR
THE GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR SETTLEMENT CMA WE
SHARE THE VIEW THAT AT

YOUR RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS PROBLEM TO THE PARTIES
CONCERNED STOP WHILE THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION MAKES PROVISION FOR
THE GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE TO ACQUIRE LAND FOR SETTLEMENT CMA WE
SHARE THE VIEW THAT IT WOULD BE JUST TO ALSO INCLUDE PROVISION FOR
ADEQUATE COMPENSATION FOR LAND EXPROPRIATED STOP IN THIS CONNECTION
WE COMMEND YOUR GOVERNMENTS WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST WITH TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE FOR LAND SETTLEMENT SCHEMES AND CAPITAL AID FOR AGRICULT-
URAL DEVELOPMENT STOP WE HAVE ALSO NOTED YOUR WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST
THE NEW GOVERNMENT TO OBTAIN INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR THESE AND
OTHER PURPOSES STOP BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE THAT WE ATTACH TO
THESE NEGOTIATIONS CMA I AM TODAY SENDING MESSAGES TO OUR
BROTHERS JOSHUA NKOMO AND ROBERT MUGABE CMA CO-LEADERS OF THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT CMA IMPLORING THAT IN THE CAUSE OF GENUINE
INDEPENDENCE WITH MAJORITY RULE FOR THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE AND TO
BRING AN END TO SUFFERING AND INJUSTICE IN THAT TERRITORY CMA
AND IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVE AND TAKE CMA EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE
AT REACHING AND AGREEABLE SOLUTION ON THE LAND QUESTION SO THAT AN
INDEPENDENCE CONSTITUTION WOULD BE AGREED TO AND THUS ENABLE
THE CONFERENCE TO MOVE ON TO THE OTHER IMPORTANT MATTERS THAT MUST BE
RESOLVED STOP IN THE INTEREST OF AFRICAN LIBERATION CMA PEACE AND
HUMAN DIGNITY WE SHALL CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION
OF THESE TALKS STOP WITH RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDER-
ATION AND ESTEEM SINCERELY

W R TOLBERT JR
PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA AND CURRENT CHAIRMAN
OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY.

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