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PRIME MINISTER'S

TO IMMEDIATE DAR ES SALAAM

PERSONAL MESSAGE

TELNO 271 OF 13 AUGUST

AND TO IMMEDIATE LUANDA,

SERIAL No.

INFO PRIORITY LAGOS, LUSAKA, GABORONE, PRETORIA, MIRIMBA

SALISBURY, WASHINGTON.

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FCO TELS NOS 139-142 TO MIRIMBA SALISBURY: RHODESIA -
CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE.

1. YOU SHOULD HAND OVER TEXTS IN OUR TELEGRAMS 140-142, UNDER
COVER OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER
TO PRESIDENT NYERERE.

BEGINS:

DEAR JULIUS,

MAY I ONCE AGAIN EXPRESS MY THANKS FOR YOUR INVALUABLE CONTRIB-
-UTION TO THE SUCCESS OF THE COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT
MEETING IN LUSAKA. YOUR OPENING SPEECH AT THE SOUTHERN AFRICA
SESSION SET THE TONE FOR OUR CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS THERE, AND
FOR THE VERY SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT THAT RESULTED. NONE OF US IS
UNDER ANY ILLUSIONS ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES THAT LIE AHEAD, BUT IN
THE AGREEMENT REACHED IN LUSAKA WE HAVE AT LAST A BASIS,
UNANIMOUSLY AGREED WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH, FOR PROCEEDING TO
GENUINE BLACK MAJORITY RULE AND RESTORING RHODESIA TO LEGALITY
AND PEACE.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THAT AGREEMENT, INVITATIONS
ARE NOW BEING SENT TO BISHOP MUZOREWA AND THE LEADERS OF THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT TO ATTEND A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON
IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. A COPY COMES WITH THIS MESSAGE. YOU WILL SEE
THAT WE ARE DOING ALL WE CAN TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM. IF THIS
CONFERENCE IS TO SUCCEED, AND WE ARE TO ACHIEVE OUR JOINT OBJECTIVES,
YOUR PERSONAL SUPPORT WILL BE VITAL AT EVERY STAGE. I AM SURE
THAT I CAN COUNT ON IT. I SHALL OF COURSE BE KEEPING IN CLOSE
TOUCH WITH YOU OVER THE COMING WEEKS.

YOURS SINCERELY,

MARGARET THATCHER.

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2. (LUANDA AND MAPUTO ONLY). THERE IS NO MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER, BUT YOU SHOULD DRAW AS APPROPRIATE ON THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED ABOVE WHEN HANDING OVER THE TEXT OF THE INVITATIONS.

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