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ACTION

May 4, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

JIM RENTSCHLER

SUBJECT:

Mrs. Thatcher, Marga

I think it would be a good idea for the President to phone Mrs. Thatcher to extend personal congratulations on her own and her party's victory. This would be in addition to the routine congratulatory cable and would, as noted in the attached phone call recommendation, help get the President's relationship with Mrs. Thatcher off to a running start. At the same time, the call will (in my opinion) help counter some of the distorted speculation we saw during the campaign (to the effect that we were hoping for a Labor win and "troubled" by the idea of the Tories taking over). A covering memo from you to the President is at Tab I.

## RECOMMENDATION:

That	you	approve	the	memo	and	phone	call	recommendation.
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