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**PRIME M'NISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
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1. Please pass the following messages from the Prime Minister to the outgoing and incoming Presidents:
To His Excellency Field Marshall ^HMassar ^AAl Bakr, President of The Republic of Iraq.
"On the occasion of your retirement from the highest office of the state may I send you my congratulations on your distinguished tenure of the Presidency and my best wishes for the future."
To His Excellency Sayyid Saddam Hussein, President Designate of The Republic of Iraq.
"I send you my congratulations on your accession to the high office of President of the Republic. I am sure that your term will see continued progress in Iraq's development. I look forward to cooperating with you to strengthen relations between our two countries."
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