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TO IMMEDIATE LUSAKA

TELEGRAM NUMBER 705 OF 13 AUGUST

INFO PRIORITY LAGOS, DAR ES SALAAM, GABORONE, PRETORIA, MIRIMBA
SALISBURY, WASHINGTON, LUANDA, MAPUTO.

F C O TELNOS 139-142 TO MIRIMBA SALISBURY: RHODESIA CONSTITUTIONAL
CONFERENCE

1. YOU SHOULD HAND OVER A COPY OF THE TEXTS IN MY TELNOS 140-142
UNDER COVER OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME
MINISTER TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA.

BEGINS:

QUOTE

DEAR KENNETH,

ONCE AGAIN I WANT TO EXPRESS MY DEEP APPRECIATION AND ADMIRATION
FOR YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT
MEETING. IT WAS DUE IN LARGE MEASURE TO YOUR HANDLING OF THE DIS-
CUSSIONS THAT THE OUTCOME PROVED TO BE SO CONSTRUCTIVE. IT MUST NOW
BE THE HOPE OF ALL OF US THAT IT WILL POINT THE WAY TO GENUINE
BLACK MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA AND A RETURN TO PEACE AND LEGALITY
THERE.

A COPY OF THE INVITATION TO A CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON
IN EARLY SEPTEMBER WHICH WE ARE SENDING TO BISHOP MUZOREWA AND THE
LEADERS OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT COMES WITH THIS LETTER. AS YOU KNOW,
WE ARE UNDER NO ILLUSIONS ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES THAT LIE AHEAD.

/HOWEVER,

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HOWEVER, WE INTEND TO TACKLE THE PROBLEMS WITH DETERMINATION AND TO MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM GENERATED AT THE CONFERENCE. YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT WILL BE ESSENTIAL IF WE ARE TO SUCCEED, AND 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

ENDS.

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PS/MR. LUCE
PS/MR. RIDLEY
PS/MR. HURD
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SIR A PARSONS
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