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PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
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The Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa presents his compliments to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and, at the request of the Honourable the South African Prime Minister, would greatly appreciate it if the following message could be conveyed to The Right Honourable the Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

"Foreign Minister Botha has reported to me on his discussions with you and with Lord Carrington, and I would like to thank you for receiving him at such short notice. I was particularly glad to receive your assurances on those issues regarding Rhodesia that are of great concern to me and my Government. We now have a clearer picture of the position. I value your understanding of our efforts and initiatives in South and Southern Africa, and I hope there will be other opportunities to exchange views on these matters of common interest. Please accept my best wishes."

The Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa avails himself of this opportunity to renew to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs the assurances of his highest consideration.

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