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Rhodesia: Messages to Kaunda and Nyerere

President Nyerere sent a message to the Prime Minister on 14 November about Rhodesia (Dar es Salaam telmo 903). This has been overtaken by the Patriotic Front's agreement to our proposals for the interim arrangements. I attach a draft reply, approved by Lord Carrington, which the Prime Minister may wish to send President Nyerere, together with instructions to Sir Peter Moon. Despite the unhelpful tone of Nyerere's message, Lord Carrington recommends that the Prime Minister should reply in a conciliatory vein. You may also wish to see the High Commissioner's comments in Dar telegram No 907 (enclosed).

Lord Carrington thinks that the Prime Minister may wish also to send a message to President Kaunda to thank him for the role he has played in helping to achieve this measure of agreement and to enlist his support for our ceasefire proposals. I attach a draft telegram to Lusaka.

The Resident Clerk will hold copies of both telegrams, in case you wish to authorise their despatch over the weekend.

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