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OUR IPT: FALKLANDS: PRIME MINISTERIAL MESSAGES.

TEXT OF PRESIDENT NYERERE'S LETTER DATED 8 NOVEMBER TO THE PRIME

MINISTER IS AS FOLLOWS:

PRIME MINISTER'S

*AS 15/11*

PERSONAL MESSAGE

DEAR MRS THATCHER,

SERIAL No. 7214A/82

THANK YOU FOR WRITING TO ME ABOUT THE U.N.  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION ON THE FALKLAND ISLANDS ISSUE.

OUR FOREIGN MINISTER, NDUGU SALIM AHMED SALIM, DID SPEAK TO YOUR HIGH COMMISSIONER TO EXPLAIN TO HIM WHY WE FELT THAT WE HAD TO VOTE FOR THE AMENDED RESOLUTION. YOU WILL HAVE HAD A FULL REPORT FROM MR. SANKEY. YET I WANTED TO WRITE TO YOU PERSONALLY FOR TWO REASONS. FIRST, BECAUSE I DO VALUE OUR DIRECT COMMUNICATION ON MATTERS OF MAJOR CONCERN TO OUR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES; AND SECONDLY BECAUSE I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT WE DO UNDERSTAND BRITAIN'S POSITION ON THIS QUESTION. WHEN AMIN'S TROOPS HAD BEEN PUSHED OUT OF TANZANIA WE DID NOT AGREE TO TALK WITH HIM, AND ALTHOUGH THERE IS NOT A DIRECT PARALLEL BETWEEN THE TWO SITUATIONS TNEU-95-9. (E SUFFICIENT SIMILARITIES FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE POLITICAL IMPERATIVES WHICH PROMPTED YOUR GOVERNMENT'S STAND. TANZANIA IS ALSO VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION: ANY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US ON THAT SCORE RELATE TO PROBLEMS OF ITS APPLICATION IN PARTICULAR SITUATIONS. IN OUR OWN CONTINENT, FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE THE PROBLEM OF MAYOTTE AS PART OF COMOROS, - AND INDEED THE PROBLEM OF SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE PEOPLE OF WESTERN SAHARA.

I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SEND MY PERSONAL GOOD WISHES TO YOU. I AM HAPPY TO SEE FROM NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHS THAT YOUR HEALTH DOES NOT SEEM TO BE AFFECTED BY THE STRAINS OF HIGH OFFICE IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES, AND I HOPE THEY GIVE AN ABSOLUTELY CORRECT PICTURE.

YOURS SINCERELY,

JULIUS K. NYERERE

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SANKEY

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