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THE PRIME MINISTER

2 October 1980

**PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
SERIAL No. T196/80.**

My dear Prime Minister,

May I again express my warmest thanks for your generous hospitality during my stay with you last week. I am very glad that our talks confirmed our common view on so many topics of joint concern.

We agreed that I would let you have a summary of the main features of the energy package which our companies and officials have been seeking to negotiate with very considerable effort since last November. The main points are underlined in the attached note, which also indicates the latest position on a dedicated mine. Each of the component parts of the package - oil, coal-supplies and power-station manufacture - are competitive in their own right, and in combination offer a uniquely attractive set of measures bringing together my country's strengths in energy and your wish to have a more stable basis of energy supply. The proposals carry the full support of my Government.

I do not need to stress again the importance that I attach to inaugurating our partnership in the European Community with these proposals. I hope you will agree that this package is one which accords with Greece's economic interests, and that a frame agreement should be drawn up in time for signature when John Nott, Secretary of State for Trade, visits your country on 12/14 October.

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Meanwhile, all concerned in the United Kingdom remain ready to join with your officials as necessary to help carry this forward.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Mr. George Rallis.

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