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THE PRIME MINISTER

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I am very pleased to send through The Hon. Nicholas Ridley, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, this message of goodwill to the Government and people of Belize from myself and the British Government. On this historic day, which marks the beginning of a new era in the long association between Belize and the United Kingdom, we extend to you our warm congratulations on the attainment by Belize of sovereign independent status.

I look forward with confidence to long and fruitful co-operation between our two countries as fellow members of the Commonwealth. I shall particularly welcome the opportunity to join colleagues in welcoming you to the meeting of Commonwealth Heads of Government in Australia later this month.

*Yours sincerely
George Price*

The Honourable George Price