

PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
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ROUGH TRANSLATION

"Dear Prime Minister,

I have received with great pleasure the message of congratulations and best wishes that you so kindly sent to me on the occasion of my nomination as President of the Italian Council of Ministers, for which I wish to thank you most sincerely.

I too look forward to meeting you personally soon and to the opportunities we will have to work together on questions of common interest.

In the certainty of a further strengthening of the close ties of alliance and friendship existing between Great Britain and Italy, I wish to take this opportunity to reciprocate your kind regards and send you my best wishes for your task and personal wellbeing.

Signed: Arnaldo Forlani."

Text of the message addressed to the Prime Minister,  
The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP, by the President  
of the Italian Council of Ministers, Signor Arnaldo  
Forlani.

"Caro Primo Ministro,

Ho molto gradito il messaggio di felicitazioni  
e di auguri che Ella ha voluto gentilmente inviarmi in occasione  
della mia nomina a Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri e La  
ringrazio vivamente.

Guardo anch'io con viva aspettativa alle occasioni che  
avremo di lavorare insieme sulle questioni di comune interesse,  
e, in attesa di incontrarla personalmente, nella certezza di  
un ulteriore rafforzamento dei già stretti vincoli di alleanza  
e di amicizia tra la Gran Bretagna e l'Italia, colgo l'occasione  
per ricambiare i più sinceri voti augurali per la Sua attività  
di governo ed il suo benessere personale.

Arnaldo Forlani."

*The Ambassador*

*Italian Embassy,  
4, Grosvenor Square,  
London, W.1.*

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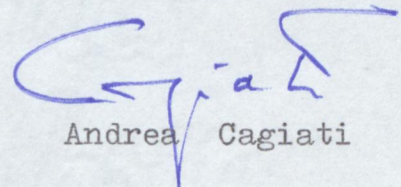
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7th November, 1980

*Dear Mr Alexander,*

I take pleasure in enclosing herewith the text of a message addressed to the Prime Minister by the President of the Italian Council of Ministers, Signor Arnaldo Forlani, together with a rough translation of the same.

*Very sincerely yours*

  
Andrea Cagiati

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11 November 1980

I enclose a copy of a message which the Prime Minister has received from Signor Forlani. I have acknowledged receipt of the message. No further action is required.

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Paul Lever, Esq.,  
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11 November 1980

Thank you for your letter of 7 November.  
I have of course drawn the enclosed message  
to the Prime Minister from the President  
of the Italian Council of Ministers to the  
Prime Minister's immediate attention.

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His Excellency Signor Andrea Cagiati

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