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Messages to President Sadat
and King Hussein

The Prime Minister has seen your letter to me of 6 March and has agreed that the draft messages enclosed with it may be despatched.

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Prime Minister

Dear Michael, *OK*

All this seems uncontroversial:
I think "briefing" messages of this kind ~~can~~ go
better from the FCS than from you except where allies
are concerned. You can reserve you file for substantive
messages.

Messages to President Sadat and King Hussein

When the Egyptian Ambassador called on Lord Carrington last month, he said that President Sadat would find it useful to be briefed on the Prime Minister's and Secretary of State's visit to Washington; Lord Carrington undertook to see that this was done. HM Ambassador in Amman has also recommended that a message on the Washington talks be sent to King Hussein.

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I attach the texts of messages which, if you see no objection, Lord Carrington has it in mind to send to President Sadat and King Hussein.

Yours ever,

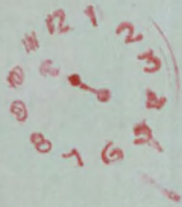
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TEL NO	8	TELEGRAM NUMBER
	9	YOUR TELNO 153 of 3 MARCH
	10	1. MIFT contains personal message from me to Sadat giving
	11	account of the visit by the Prime Minister and myself to
	12	Washington.
	13	2. The Prime Minister has agreed that President Sadat should
	14	be invited to visit Britain <u>as a guest of the government</u> if
	15	suitable dates can be found. It would only be possible for the
	16	<u>Prime Minister to participate</u> in a programme for President
	17	Sadat on <u>24-25 June</u> .
	18	3. Please now seek an audience with President Sadat to hand
	19	over my message and extend the invitation from the Prime
	20	Minister. We hope that President Sadat will be able to come on
	21	the above dates.
///	22	4. We understand from the IISS that he had accepted their
//	23	invitation to deliver a lecture in London and proposed July, but
/	24	sent a later message cancelling this because of Ramadan. We
	25	have told the IISS of our plans to invite Sadat for June. IISS

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 have asked that we should not mention their dealings, which
 were through Ghorbal, to the London Embassy or MFA.
 5. We would hope that President Sadat could spend at least
 two nights in London. A programme would include talks with the
 Prime Minister and myself. We hope to be able to arrange for
 Sadat to be received by the Queen. It would be useful in due
 course to know if Sadat has any ideas of his own on what he
 might do in London.

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TEL NO	8	TELEGRAM NUMBER
	9	YOUR TELNO 78: VISIT TO WASHINGTON
	10	1. Please deliver the following message from myself to King
	11	Hussein:
	12	Begins. Ian Gilmour told me after he saw you last month
	13	of your interest in the visit which the Prime Minister and I
	14	have just made to Washington. You may therefore welcome this
	15	brief note of my personal impressions.
	16	The visit went very well. The Prime Minister of course
	17	knows President Reagan well, and I was able to renew my
	18	acquaintance with Mr Haig. This helped us get some useful work
	19	done with the minimum of formalities. Indeed the problem was
	20	that there was simply not enough time to cover everything we
	21	wanted.
///	22	The chief preoccupation of the new administration is that
//	23	of East/West relations and I think we can expect a tougher but
/	24	very rational approach to their dealings with the Soviet Union.
	25	In our talks on the Middle East we explained the EC's

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2 objectives which Mr Haig understood. I think we must accept
3 that there are some essential elements to a solution which under
4 present circumstances present the new Administration with
5 political difficulties, for example on the position of the PLO
6 and Palestinian self-determination. We made clear that the Ten
7 will press on with their efforts to contribute to peace, but
8 that no major move is likely to be possible before the Israeli
9 elections. We were agreed on the importance of the US and Eur-
10 ope working together towards the common objective of a
11 comprehensive peace.
12 Mr Haig clearly wishes to take his time before deciding
13 how the peace process can best be taken forward. I was
14 encouraged to find that he has an open mind about this. I know
15 he regards his forthcoming visit to the area as the most
16 valuable opportunity to see the problems for himself and listen
17 to the views of those concerned at first hand.
18 The President discussed with President Reagan the
19 stability and security of the Gulf and South-West Asia following
20 the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. They both share the
21 determination to do all that is possible to prevent Soviet
22 encroachment in this region. We continue to believe that the
23 states which face Soviet expansion should themselves take a
24 lead. For this reason we welcome the recent agreement by six
25 Gulf states to enhance their cooperation. We believe that we
26 and other Western countries should continue to consult closely
27 with the Gulf states about our common interest in preserving the
28 stability and security of the region and that we should take
29 careful account of their views before any policy decisions are
30 taken.
31 As for a rapid deployment force, this was, as you know,
32 originally the idea of the previous US Administration. The
33 Americans have been considering it since then. There is still a
34 great deal of consultation and discussion to be done. As

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Mrs Thatcher has made clear, we are not seeking to connect a rapid deployment force with any particular area outside NATO, although in view of the Russians' occupation of Afghanistan, their strong presence in Aden and their interest in the Gulf it is only natural that we should keep the Gulf in the forefront of our thoughts. Since the outbreak of the Gulf war in October we have had a number of vessels in the area, though not in the Gulf itself, and we have made clear that if a rapid deployment force were to be created, the United Kingdom would in principle be ready to contribute to it. There is no question of the permanent stationing of British troops in the Gulf area. Although we have recommended that members of NATO should individually recognise the global nature of the Soviet challenge, we have no intention of trying to extend the commitment of NATO itself outside the NATO area. The Prime Minister looks forward to discussing all these matters during her visit to the Gulf in April.

I was delighted to hear that you are coming to London again in April. I look forward to seeing you then. Ends.

2. In speaking to King Hussein yourself, you may of course draw at your discretion upon the reports available to you, in particular Washington telnos: 707, 719, and 721.

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11	1. I thought you might find it useful to have my personal
12	impressions of the visit the Prime Minister and I made last
13	week to Washington.
14	2. The visit went very well. The open and friendly approach
15	of President Reagan and his colleagues made it possible for us
16	to have very useful talks with the minimum of formalities.
17	Indeed the problem was that there was just not sufficient time
18	to cover everything we wanted.
19	3. It is clear that the new Administration will be paying a
20	great deal of attention to East/West relations in their broadest
21	sense: I think we can expect them to adopt a robust but very
22	rational approach to their dealings with the Soviet Union. In
23	our detailed talks with President Reagan and with General Haig
24	we exchanged views on these matters and in particular on
25	Brezhnev's speech to the Soviet Party Congress. I agreed with

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April.

8. Our Ambassador will be passing on to you Mrs Thatcher's invitation for you to spend a few days in London as a guest of the Government. There are a number of important issues on which it would be most useful for us to have talks with you and it would also give us great pleasure to be able to repay the hospitality you have offered myself and other members of the government recently. I very much hope that you will be able to accept the Prime Minister's invitation.

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