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From the Private Secretary

CHANCELLOR KOHL

The Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany telephoned the Prime Minister this afternoon to congratulate her on the outcome of the General Election. Herr Kohl said that the result conformed exactly with his prediction, though that had not been very difficult to make. The result was largely the personal achievement of the Prime Minister and a consequence of the courage she had shown in pursuing clear policies. He sent his warmest and heartfelt congratulations to all concerned.

The Prime Minister said that she was very pleased with the result. She agreed that it confirmed the policies which the Government had been pursuing. She believed that it augured well for the future strength for the Western alliance and for Europe. She was most grateful to the Chancellor for telephoning.

The Prime Minister has also received a written message from the Chancellor, a copy of which I enclose - she will be replying to this shortly.

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