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FOR SECRETARY OF STATE'S PARTY
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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER TO FERGUSSON OF TODAY'S DATE
FROM SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR:

QUOTE

REGARDING THE DISCUSSION WHICH WE HAD YESTERDAY, I WOULD LIKE
YOU TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE CONVEYED PRIME MINISTER THATCHER'S
MESSAGE TO THE STATE PRESIDENT.

THE STATE PRESIDENT HAS REPLIED THAT HE APPRECIATES THE GESTURE
OF INFORMING HIM IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING IN BRUSSELS TODAY AND
TOMORROW. HE WISHES TO EXPRESS HIS APPRECIATION ALSO OF THE
FACT THAT PRIME MINISTER THATCHER WILL INFORM HIM PERSONALLY OF
WHAT TRANSPIRED AT THAT MEETING.

I AM INSTRUCTED ALSO TO TELL YOU THAT THE STATE PRESIDENT IS
HAPPY TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUEST THAT HE NOT IMMEDIATELY RESPOND
TO WHATEVER STATEMENT IS ISSUED AFTER THE MEETING. HOWEVER, THE
STATE PRESIDENT WISHES TO POINT OUT, IN A FRIENDLY WAY, THAT HE
TRUSTS THAT SUCH A STATEMENT WILL NOT CONTAIN LANGUAGE WHICH IS
HUMILIATING TO SOUTH AFRICA OR WHICH INTERFERES IN SOUTH AFRICA'S
AFFAIRS.

NO DOUBT YOU WILL CONVEY THIS TO PRIME MINISTER THATCHER.
UNQUOTE.

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