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PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
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OF 191030Z NOVEMBER 86
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MIPT: THE INTERNAL MARKET: UK PRESIDENCY

1. FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER:
BEGINS
DEAR

WE ARE ALL COMMITTED, UNDER THE SINGLE EUROPEAN ACT, TO COMPLETE THE INTERNAL MARKET BY 1992. WE REAFFIRMED THAT COMMITMENT AT THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL IN THE HAGUE IN JUNE AND UNDERLINED THE IMPORTANCE OF FURTHER SPEEDING UP DECISION-MAKING ON THE ACTION PROGRAMME PREPARED AT THE END OF THE DUTCH PRESIDENCY.

2. ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF DECISIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN, PROGRESS OVERALL REMAINS DISAPPOINTINGLY SLOW. OF COURSE THERE ARE DIFFICULT ISSUES WHICH HAVE TO BE RESOLVED, BUT ON MANY OF THE SUBJECTS NOW BEFORE THE COUNCIL DECISIONS REMAIN BLOCKED BECAUSE OF RELATIVELY MINOR OBJECTIONS FROM ONE OR OTHER MEMBER STATE.

3. MUCH OF THE REPUTATION OF THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN STAKED ON MAKING PROGRESS TOWARDS THE SINGLE LARGE MARKET WHICH IS VITAL TO OUR INDUSTRY AND THE CREATION OF JOBS. IF WE ARE NOT TO LOSE IMPETUS I AM CONVINCED THAT MANY MORE DECISIONS NEED TO BE TAKEN

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BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

4. THE INTERNAL MARKET COUNCIL HAS A PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN ENSURING PROGRESS AND I BELIEVE THAT AGREEMENT ((NEXT WORD UNDERLINED)) IS POSSIBLE ON

A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF MEASURES AT ITS 1 DECEMBER MEETING, IF WE ARE ALL PREPARED TO RENEW OUR POLITICAL COMMITMENT TO OVERCOMING THE OUTSTANDING OBSTACLES. I AM THEREFORE SENDING YOU WITH THIS LETTER A NOTE OF MEASURES WHICH ARE CAPABLE OF EARLY AGREEMENT GIVEN THE KIND OF EFFORT TO WHICH WE COMMITTED OURSELVES AT THE HAGUE. WE CANNOT ALLOW THE PACE OF DECISION TO BE DELAYED BY TECHNICAL OBJECTIONS. I PROPOSE THAT EACH OF US SHOULD BE PREPARED TO GIVE UP OUR RESERVATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL PROPOSALS LISTED IN THE ATTACHED NOTE IN EXCHANGE FOR OTHERS DOING THE SAME. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS WOULD INVOLVE THE SACRIFICE OF IMPORTANT INTERESTS BY ANY OF US.

5. WE SHALL BE FOLLOWING UP MY LETTER WITH DISCUSSION WITH YOUR MINISTERS AND OFFICIALS. BUT I WANT TO ASK YOU FOR ((NEXT WORD UNDERLINED)) YOUR SUPPORT

FOR THIS APPROACH. WITHOUT A CLEAR POLITICAL LEAD OF THIS KIND WE SHALL NOT MAKE THE PROGRESS TO WHICH WE ARE ALL COMMITTED AND WHICH INDUSTRY AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC EXPECT.

YOURS SINCERELY

MARGARET THATCHER

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6. COPENHAGEN ONLY: PLEASE ADD AN EXTRA PENULTIMATE PARAGRAPH AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINS

I SHOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEEK YOUR SUPPORT ON ONE OTHER INTERNAL MARKET ISSUE OF IMMEDIATE CONCERN - AIR TRANSPORT. IF THE COMMUNITY IS TO MAKE A REAL IMPACT ON PEOPLE'S LIVES IT CANNOT ALLOW THE EUROPEAN AIRLINES TO GO ON SHUTTING OUT COMPETITION AND KEEPING THE AVAILABILITY OF CHEAPER FARES UNJUSTIFIABLY RESTRICTED. I WAS VERY DISAPPOINTED TO SEE THAT AT THE TRANSPORT COUNCIL ON 10-11 NOVEMBER DENMARK JOINED WITH THOSE MEMBER STATES WHO WERE UNWILLING TO AGREE EVEN TO A FIRST STEP WHICH WOULD BRING SOME REAL BENEFITS. MAY I ASK YOU TO TAKE A LOOK AT THIS

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YOURSELF IN THE HOPE THAT WE CAN REACH AGREEMENT IN THE VERY NEAR
FUTURE.

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MY 2 IPTS: EC INTERNAL MARKET: UK PRESIDENCY INITIATIVE

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ANNEX TO PRIME MINISTER'S MESSAGE.
BEGINS
INTERNAL MARKET ACTION PROGRAMME
(NUMBERS IN PARENTHESIS ARE THOSE IN THE PROGRAMME SUBMITTED BY
THE NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY TO THE INTERNAL MARKET COUNCIL ON
23 JUNE, DOCUMENT NUMBER 7724/86).

(7) COUNTERFEIT GOODS
REGULATION INTRODUCING MEASURES TO PROHIBIT THE RELEASE OF
COUNTERFEIT GOODS FOR FREE CIRCULATION WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.

(44) FRONT ROLL-OVER PROTECTION STRUCTURES (ROPS) ON NARROW-TRACK
WHEELED AGRICULTURAL OR FORESTRY TRACTORS
DIRECTIVE TO ESTABLISH COMMON STANDARDS FOR PROTECTION STRUCTURES
MOUNTED IN FRONT OF THE DRIVER'S SEAT FOR CERTAIN CLASSES OF
VEHICLE. IT IS ONE OF A SERIES OF DIRECTIVES RELATING TO THE
SAFETY OF AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY TRACTORS.

(69) TO (73) THE PHARMACEUTICAL PACKAGE

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PACKAGE OF FOUR DIRECTIVES AND A RECOMMENDATION TO LAY DOWN OR AMEND EXISTING PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE MARKETING AND TESTING OF HUMAN AND VETERINARY MEDICINES.

(74) GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICE

DIRECTIVE SPECIFYING MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT LABORATORY TESTS CARRIED OUT BY MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS TO EVALUATE THE POSSIBLE RISKS TO HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT OF CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THEY WISH TO PLACE ON THE MARKET ARE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONALLY AGREED PRINCIPLES.

(78) NOISE OF DOZERS AND LOADERS

DIRECTIVE PROVIDING FOR NOISE LIMITS TO BE IMPLEMENTED FOR HYDRAULIC DOZERS, LOADERS, EXCAVATORS AND EXCAVATOR- LOADERS. THE PROPOSAL IS PART OF THE COMMUNITY'S PROGRAMME TO ELIMINATE TECHNICAL TRADE BARRIERS IN CONSTRUCTION PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, AND IS ALSO A PART OF THE COMMUNITY'S PROGRAMME ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

(80) INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS

DIRECTIVE SEEKS TO ESTABLISH COMMON CONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY STANDARDS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY FOR INDUSTRIAL TRUCKS (EG FORK LIFT TRUCKS) AND TOW TRACTORS.

(86) IMPROVEMENT OF DIRECTIVES ON PUBLIC PROCUREMENT (SUPPLIES)

DIRECTIVE MODIFYING THE EXISTING COMMUNITY DIRECTIVES, INCLUDING PROVISIONS ON DEADLINES, STANDARDS, COVERAGE AND PRE-PUBLICATION OF PURCHASING PROGRAMMES.

(120) STANDARDISATION IN THE FIELDS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

DIRECTIVE CONCERNED WITH THE IDENTIFICATION OF STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC PURCHASERS IN MEMBER STATES WHEN BUYING IT AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.

(127) LEGAL PROTECTION OF MICROCIRCUITS

DIRECTIVE REQUIRING MEMBER STATES TO ENACT NATIONAL LAWS

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PROTECTING ORIGINAL DESIGNS FOR THE INTERNAL LAYOUT OF
SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS AGAINST UNAUTHORISED COPYING.

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