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FOR THE PRESIDENT FROM AMBASSADOR PRICE

E.O.12356: DECL: OADR TAGS: PREL, PTER, MOPS, LY, UK SUBJECT: LIBYA - SUPPORT FROM PRIME MINISTER THATCHER

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. I AM CERTAIN YOU HAVE SEEN REPORTS OF MARGARET THATCHER'S STAUNCH DEFENSE OF OUR ACTIONS IN YESTERDAY'S PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON LIBYA. SHE COULD HARDLY HAVE BEEN MORE RESOLUTE AS AN ALLY AND A FRIEND. WHAT'S MORE, IT IS NICE TO KNOW THAT SHE IS ONE LEADER WHO HAS BACKED UP HER WORDS WITH ACTIONS --AT NO LITTLE POLITICAL COST TO HERSELF HERE IN THE UK. PRICE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE REVIEW AUTHORITY: ROBERT O HOMME DATE/CASE ID: 22 DEC 2009 200903792

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