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PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO CHARLES POWELL #10
DOWNING STREET, LONDON FROM BRENT SCOWCROFT, ASSISTANT TO
THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS.

DEAR CHARLES,

TO SAY I AM SADDENED BY THE RECENT TURN OF EVENTS WOULD BE A
GROSS UNDERSTATEMENT. BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND PERSONALLY I HAVE
COME TO RELY ON YOU WITHOUT HESITATION. YOU HAVE MY ETERNAL
GRATITUDE FOR MAKING MY JOB MUCH EASIER AND, ESPECIALLY, FOR
BEING A FRIEND. WHATEVER THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR YOU, I AM ALWAYS
AVAILABLE.

CHARLES, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD PASS THE
FOLLOWING NOTE TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

WARM REGARDS,

BRENT

DEAR PRIME MINISTER:

I WAS ABSOLUTELY DEVASTATED BY THE UNEXPECTED NEWS OF YOUR
DEPARTURE. WHILE THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WILL SURVIVE, THE
QUALITY YOU BROUGHT TO IT CANNOT BE DUPLICATED. YOU HAVE BEEN A
PILLAR OF STRENGTH, CONFIDENCE, WISDOM AND FRIENDSHIP THROUGH THE
MOST COMPLEX AND DIFFICULT OF TIMES. WE SIMPLY COULD NOT HAVE
DONE IT WITHOUT YOU AND, WITH TRYING DAYS AHEAD, WE SHALL SORELY
MISS YOU.

WITH RESPECT AND WARM REGARDS,

BRENT

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