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BRITISH EMBASSY,
PARIS.

3 August 1984

Prime Minister

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F E R Butler Esq
Principal Private Secretary
10 Downing Street
London SW 1

Dear Butler,

We have been asked by Monsieur Pierre Mauroy, former Prime Minister of France, to forward the enclosed letter from him to the Prime Minister in reply to the message she sent at the time of his resignation.

I enclose our translation of Monsieur Mauroy's letter.

Yours sincerely

Peter Petrie

P C Petrie
Chargé d'Affaires

Pierre Mauroy

Paris le 25 juillet 1974

Radaone,

J'ai été particulièrement sensible
au message que vous m'avez adressé au moment
où j'allais quitter les fonctions de Premier Ministre
de France -

Je garde moi-même un excellent
souvenir des moments où nous avons coopéré
au sein de nos gouvernements respectifs -

Revenez-m'en dire de vos côtés si vous le
voulez pour ne pas faire peser l'aveugle de la grande Bretagne
et pour vous en dire - Je suis fier de vous
nos honneurs les plus élevés de nos pays les
meilleures.

Pierre Mauroy

Son Excellence Radaone Rajaratnam
Premier Ministre de Grande-Bretagne



Paris, le 26 juillet 1984

Madame,

J'ai été particulièrement sensible au message que vous m'avez adressé au moment où prenait fin ma fonction de Premier Ministre de France.

Je garde moi-même un excellent souvenir des moments où nous avons coopéré au nom de nos gouvernements respectifs.

Permettez-moi de vous dire ici tous les voeux que je forme pour l'avenir de la Grande-Bretagne et pour vous-même. Je vous présente avec mes hommages l'expression de mes pensées les meilleures.

Pierre Mauroy



Paris, 26 July 1984

Madam,

I greatly appreciated the message you sent when my function as Prime Minister of France came to an end.

I, too, will remember with pleasure the occasions when we worked together for our respective governments.

I take this opportunity to extend my best wishes for the future of Great Britain and for yourself.

Pierre Mauroy

MJ

18 July 1984

New French Prime Minister

Thank you for your letter of 18 July enclosing a draft message of congratulations to M. Fabius and a message of farewell to M. Mauroy.

I enclose signed copies of the two messages. I should be grateful if you would arrange for their delivery.

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C.R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.



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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

18 July, 1984

Dear Charles,

New French Prime Minister

As you know, President Mitterrand accepted the resignation of Pierre Mauroy and his Government yesterday evening and appointed Laurent Fabius as the new French Prime Minister. No other appointments have yet been announced.

/ We recommend that the Prime Minister should send a message of congratulations to M. Fabius. I attach a draft text.

/ The Prime Minister may also like to send a "farewell" message to M. Mauroy. I attach a draft.

We have suggested to the Department of Trade and Industry that Mr Tebbit might send a message of congratulations to his erstwhile French colleague.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
19 Dowing Street



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10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

18 July 1984

Dear Monsieur Mauroy

As you leave the Matignon I would like to express my appreciation of the close cooperation between our two governments that has marked your period of office. I send you my very best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Monsieur Pierre Mauroy

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 TO IMMEDIATE PARIS
 TELEGRAM NUMBER 339 OF 9 MAY
 YOUR TEL NO. 540

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1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO M. PIERRE MAUROY FROM PRIME MINISTER. BEGINS I WAS VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR ILLNESS AND SEND YOU MY VERY BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY. ENDS.

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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

9 May, 1984.

Illness of the French Prime Minister

The Prime Minister agrees that the message enclosed with your letter of 8 May should be despatched.

A. J. COLES

R.B. Bone, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

8 May, 1984

Prime Minister⁽¹⁾

Agree attached
message?

Jan Sh.

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French Prime Minister's Illness

Paris telegram number 540 reports that the French Prime Minister, M. Mauroy has been admitted to hospital suffering from an acute pulmonary infection. The Prime Minister may wish, as Sir John Fretwell recommends, to send M. Mauroy a get well message.

I attach a draft message.

Jan Sh.

(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
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TYPE: Draft/Final 1+

FROM: Prime Minister

Reference

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TO: M. Pierre Mauroy

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SUBJECT: DRAFT MESSAGE

.....In Confidence

I was very sorry to hear of your illness and
send you my very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

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FM PARIS 041445Z MAY 84
TO IMMEDIATE FCO
TELEGRAM NUMBER 540 OF 4 MAY

PRIME MINISTER MAUROY

1. IT WAS ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING THAT MAUROY HAD TODAY BEEN ADMITTED TO A PARIS MILITARY HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM AN ACUTE PULMONARY INFECTION. A HOSPITAL COMMUNIQUE SAID THAT MAUROY WAS BEING EXAMINED AND THAT TREATMENT HAD BEEN STARTED.

2. I RECOMMEND THAT THE PRIME MINISTER SHOULD SEND A GET WELL MESSAGE TO MAUROY.

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