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TO IMMEDIATE MADRID

TELEGRAM NO 331 OF 9 DEC 1983

MADRID AIRLINE DISASTER

1. THE PRIME MINISTER WISHES TO SEND A MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY TO THE SPANISH PRIME MINISTER ABOUT THE AIR DISASTER IN MADRID. PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO BE DELIVERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:

'MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES GO OUT TO YOU AND TO ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE TERRIBLE TRAGEDY AT MADRID AIRPORT.'

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10 DOWNING STREET

*From the Private Secretary*

9 December 1983

This is to confirm my telephone conversation earlier today when I told you that the Prime Minister has agreed to the dispatch of the following messages:-

- a) To the Spanish Prime Minister (Roger Bone's letter of 8 December).
- b) To the Venezuelan President-elect (your letter of 7 December).
- c) To the new Prime Minister of Turkey and the outgoing Prime Minister (your letter of 8 December).

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8 December 1983

Prime Minister.

Agree message?

A & C. B / R

John Taylor,

As requested, I enclose a draft telegram to Madrid containing a message of sympathy from the Prime Minister to the Spanish Prime Minister about yesterday's airline crash at Madrid airport. If you agree, we will arrange for the message to be delivered by the Charge d'Affaires at Madrid today.

Yes

R B Bone

(R B Bone)  
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq  
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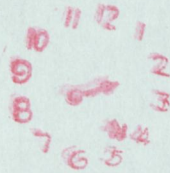
1. The Prime Minister wishes to send a message of sympathy to the Spanish Prime Minister about the air disaster in Madrid yesterday. Please arrange for the following message to be delivered as soon as possible:

My deepest sympathies go out to you and to all those affected by yesterday's terrible tragedy at Madrid airport.

Copies to:-



18 DEC 1983



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