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PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
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FROM RESIDENT CLERK
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1. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE SOONEST FROM THE PRIME MINISTER
TO FELIPE GONZALES:

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THIS MORNING AND THE TRAGIC LOSS OF LIFE. MY SYMPATHIES AND THOSE
OF THE BRITISH PEOPLE ARE WITH THE INJURED AND WITH THE FRIENDS
AND RELATIVES OF THOSE CONCERNED.

2. GRATEFUL TO KNOW BY DESKBY TELEGRAM WHEN THE MESSAGE HAS BEEN
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