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MY TELNO 555 : PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT

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TELNO 558

- 1. TEXT OF JARUZELSKI'S LETTER TO THE PRIME MINISTER IS AS FOLLOWS:
- 2. DEAR PRIME MINISTER WITH REFERENCE TO MY PREVIOUS LETTER I SHOULD LIKE ONCE AGAIN TO CONFIRM THAT I CONTINUE TO ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO YOUR VISIT TO POLAND, THE FIRST VISIT BY A PRIME MINISTER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM. THE VISIT RESULTS FROM THE HISTORIC LINKS WHICH JOIN OUR COUNTRIES AND IN PARTICULAR FROM OUR COMMON STRUGGLE IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR. ABOVE ALL, THE VISIT IS THE RESULT OF OUR DEEP CONVICTION THAT IT WILL ADD SIGNIFICANT AND POSITIVE IMPULSES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS.

IT IS MY SINCERE WISH THAT THE PROGRAMME OF THE VISIT SHOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO THE HIGH RANK WHICH WE WISH TO ACCORD TO IT.

I AM NOT CERTAIN, HOWEVER, WHETHER GIVEN THE DEEP CHANGES IN THE STRUCTURE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF POLAND, WHICH ARE AT PRESENT TAKING PLACE, WE SHALL BE ABLE TO FULFILL THESE EXPECTATIONS IF THE VISIT TAKES PLACE ON THE DATES SO FAR PLANNED. A NEW GOVERNMENT WILL BE FORMED ONLY IN MID-OCTOBER. IT MUST THEN WORK OUT A PROGRAMME FOR FURTHER ECONOMIC AND SOCIO-POLITICAL REQUIREMENTS. IT IS OUR WISH THAT YOUR VISIT SHOULD BE AN OCCASION, MADAME PRIME MINISTER, FOR YOU TO ACQUAINT YOURSELF WITH THESE NEW SOLUTIONS AND WITH THE DIRECTIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF POLISH-BRITISH CO-OPERATION WHICH RESULT FROM THEM.

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ABOVE, I WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING FOR THE REASONS UNDERLYING OUR NEED TO POSTPONE THE DATE OF YOUR VISIT, AND FOR THE PROPOSAL THAT IT SHOULD TAKE PLACE AT A LATER BUT NOT TOO DISTANT DATE.

FOR MY PART, I PROPOSE 16-19 NOVEMBER AS POSSIBLE DATES FOR YOUR VISIT.

I AM SURE THAT I CAN COUNT ON YOUR FULL UNDERSTANDING OF OUR

PAGE 1 CONFIDENTIAL INTENTIONS AS WELL AS THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS, WOJIECH JARUZELSKI.

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