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PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
SERIAL No. T195190

MIPT: MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM KING HUSSEIN

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE:

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MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM KING HUSSEIN

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2. I DO NOT THINK THAT THE KING WOULD HAVE INCLUDED IN THIS MESSAGE THE HOPE THAT HE AND MRS THATCHER WOULD MEET AGAIN SOON IF HE HAD NOT MEANT IT. AND THE FINAL PARAGRAPH COULD IMPLY SOME ANCLINATION TO DISTANCE HIMSELF PERSONALLY - A HINT THAT BUSINESS MIGHT BE CONDUCTED ONLY AT THE OFFICIAL LEVEL FOR THE TIME BEING - UNTIL THIS MEETING HAS TAKEN PLACE.
3. IT IS CLEARLY IMPORTANT THAT OUR LINES TO THE KING SHOULD REMAIN OPEN AS THE CRISIS DEVELOPS. HE IS TAKING ALL IMPORTANT DECISIONS HIMSELF AND THERE IS NO-ONE ELSE WHO CAN BE COUNTED UPON TO PROVIDE RELIABLE INFORMATION ABOUT HIS INTENTIONS.
4. I SUGGEST THAT THE PRIME MINISTER MIGHT RESPOND TO HIS SECOND PARAGRAPH BY INVITING HIM TO BRITAIN AS SOON AS HE IS ABLE TO COME. AND THAT SHE SHOULD PROPOSE THAT THE DISCUSSION SHOULD COVER ALL ASPECTS AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE PRESENT CRISIS. MRS THATCHER MIGHT ALSO WISH TO MENTION THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO VISIT AMMAN ON 4/5 SEPTEMBER WITH THE AIM OF MAINTAINING THE DIALOGUE WHICH IS SO ESSENTIAL AT THIS CRITICAL TIME.
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