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31 August 1990

The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher MP Prime Minister of the United Kingdom 10 Downing Street LONDON SW1

Dear Prime Minister

The South African Government has noted with grave concern the detention of citizens of the United Kingdom and other nations by Iraq. This repugnant step calls for the strongest condemnation of all civilised states. Please be assured of the full support of myself and my Government in your efforts to secure the release and ensure the safety of your citizens and the citizens of other countries.

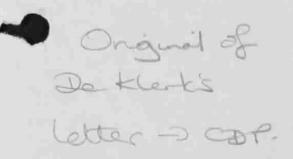
In this time of crisis I am acutely conscious of the gravity of the decisions facing you and your Government. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Yours sincerely

F W DE KLERK

STATE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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From the Private Secretary

10 September 1990

I enclose a copy of a letter to the Prime Minister from President De Klerk, and would be grateful for a draft reply.

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Dear Charles,

I should be grateful if the enclosed letter from State President de Klerk could be brought to the attention of the Prime Minister.

your oricarely,

Taster

Justus de Goede MINISTER