

● PRIME MINISTER'S  
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TELEGRAM NUMBER 1760 OF 10 NOVEMBER  
MY TELNO 228 TO UKDEL IMF/IBRD: SUCCESSOR TO MCNAMARA  
1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO  
PRESIDENT CARTER

'DEAR JIMMY

IN YOUR MESSAGE DATED 23 OCTOBER YOU SOUGHT MY SUPPORT  
FOR THE CANDIDACY OF TOM CLAUSEN TO SUCCEED ROBERT MCNAMARA  
AS PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD BANK. THIS I AM GLAD TO GIVE.

YOU WERE KIND ENOUGH TO INCLUDE COMMENTS ON HIS  
PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RECORD AS WELL AS HIS BIOGRAPHY.  
I AGREE THAT HE APPEARS TO HAVE THE RIGHT COMBINATION OF  
TALENTS AND EXPERIENCE FOR THE CHALLENGING TASK OF SUCCEEDING  
ROBERT MCNAMARA AND GUIDING THE WORLD BANK AT A CRUCIAL  
STAGE.

MY WARM BEST WISHES.'

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10 November 1980

President of the World Bank

The Prime Minister has seen and approved the message to President Carter enclosed with your letter of 7 November about the nomination of Mr. Clausen to succeed Mr. McNamara. I should be grateful if you could arrange for the despatch of the message.

I am sending a copy of this letter to John Wiggins (H.M. Treasury).

MICHAEL ALEXANDER

R.M.J. Lyne, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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London SW1A 2AH

Prime Minister

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A spring of message.

We have already supported

7 November 1980

Clausen's candidature at a World Bank meeting. Agree with?

Dear Michael, *Roderic Lyne* 7/11

President of the World Bank

I enclose, as requested in your letter of 3 November, a draft reply for the Prime Minister to send to President Carter's telegram of 23 October nominating Mr A W (Tom) Clausen of the Bank of America to succeed Mr McNamara as President of the World Bank.

*Yours ever*  
*Roderic Lyne*

(R M J Lyne)  
Private Secretary

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cc: A J Wiggins Esq  
HM Treasury

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11	President Carter
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14	for the candidacy of Tom Clausen to succeed Robert McNamara
15	as President of the World Bank. This I am glad to give.
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17	personal and professional record as well as his biography.
18	I agree that he appears to have the right combination of
19	talents and experience for the challenging task of succeeding
20	Robert McNamara and guiding the World Bank at a crucial
21	stage.
22	My warm best wishes."
23	<i>R MB.</i>
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