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4. BY LUCK AND DESIGN THE LONG POST-WAR PERIOD OF BRITAIN'S GENTEEL BUT SHABBY DECLINE HAS BEEN REVERSED. THIS HISTORIC PHENOMENON HAS PRODUCED A RENEWED BRITISH VIGOR AND ASSERTIVENESS AT HOME AND ABROAD, MUCH OF WHICH IS A PERSONAL EXPRESSION OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S CONVICTION. IN AN ALMOST MEDIEVAL FASHION, MRS. THATCHER IS A CRUSADER WHO SEES THE WORLD DIVIDED INTO LIGHT AND DARK, GOOD AND EVIL, RIGHT AND WRONG. NO NUANCE. WITH THIS GOTHIC MORALITY SHE HAS SYSTEMATICALLY ASSAULTED THE BARBAROUS PAGANS OF STATISM WHEREVER THEY MAY BE FOUND -- MOSCOW, BRUSSELS OR LIVERPOOL -- AND SHE KNOWS SHE HAS THEM ON THE RUN. 5. AFTER A DECADE OF HER BOLD, SOMETIMES STRIDENT LEADERSHIP, IT IS DIFFICULT TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THATCHER AND BRITAIN, SO INTERMINGLED HAVE THEY BECOME, AND IT IS EQUALLY HARD TO PEER INTO THE FUTURE AND DISCERN AN APRES-MAGGIE NATION. THE QUESTION OFTEN HEARD AROUND HERE IS WHAT HAPPENS IF MRS. THATCHER IS HIT BY A BUS, AND THE USUAL ANSWER IS THAT YOU WOULD HAVE TO GET THE BUS FIXED.

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6. I UNIMAGINABLE AS IT SEEMS, HOWEVER, THERE WILL COMP A DAWN WHEN MARGARFT THATCHER IS NO LONGER PRIME MINISTER. EVEN FROM AMONG HER CLOSEST TORY ACOLITES, IT IS UNLIKELY A NEW LEADER WILL SOON EMERGE WITH THE SAMP DEGREE OF THATCHERITE FORCEFULNESS AND AUTHORITY OR THE SAME INSTINCTIVE TRANSATLANTIC PREDILECTIONS. DAY BY DAY AND BIT BY BIT, BRITAIN IS MOVING INTO EUROPE AND MRS. THATCHER'S DISTRUSTEUL RESISTANCE TO THINGS CROSS-CHANNEL STRUGGLES AGAINST THE CURRENT OF BRITAIN'S INEVITABLE LONG-TERM INTERESTS.

7. BUT THE ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIP RUNS DEEP AND IS NOT THATCHER-DEPENDENT. STANDING HUMILIATED AND BEWILDERED IN THE DEBRIS OF THE 1956 SUEZ DEBACLE, HAROLD MACMILLAN INTONED THAT BRITAIN WAS NOW CONSIGNED TO THE SUPPOPTING ROLE OF PLAYING OLD ATHENS TO AMERICA'S NEW ROMF. THERE WAS TRUTH IN THIS -- THE WISDOM OF WORN EXPERIENCE COULD COUNSEL THE CALLOW STRENGTH OF YOUTH. AND FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW, FAR BETTER ATHENS THAN CARTHAGE.

9. THIRTY YEARS LATER, HOWEVER, THIS IMAGE OF CLASSICAL BATON PASSING NO LONGER CAPTURES THE RELATIONSHIP. & REFURBISHED AND REFRESHENED BRITAIN HAS BROUGHT A VETWER SENSE OF GENUINE PARTNERSHIP TO TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN OUF TWO GOVERNMENTS. THE BRITISH WOFRY ABOUT OUR RAMBUNCTIOUSNESS; THEY WORRY ABOUT OUR TEMPTATIONS TO DEAL OVER THEIR HEADS; THEY WORRY ABOUT OUR ATTENTION WANDEFING FROM EUROPE. BUT RATHER THAN MFRE FRETTING, THE BRITISH ARE USUALLY READY TO PUT UP

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SOME ANTE AT THE BIG TABLE AND TO CONTRIBUTE MATERIALLY AS A SERIOUS PARTICIPANT IN GLOBAL EVENTS.

9. THIS RESUSCITATED BRITISH BOLDNESS IS NOT ALWAYS COMPLEMENTARY TO OUR OWN NATIONAL EFFORTS, AND

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TLABLY ON ECONOMIC ISSUES THE INDEPENDENT VOICE PART OF LONDON IS INCREASINGLY SHARP AND FORTHRIGHT. NONETHELESS. BRITAIN NOW ADDS WELCOME AND MEASURABLE WEIGHT TO THE UNSTEADY SCALES OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. IT MIGHT MANIFEST ITSELF AS A MINESWEEPER HERE OR AN SDI CONTRACT THERE! A MODERNIZED DEPLOYMENT AT A BRITISH PASE OF A CONTINUING GABRISON IN BELIZE; A SIGNALS TEAM IN NAMIBIA OR AN OBSERVER GROUP IN SINAI; A FLIGHT FROM AN AIRFIELD IN CYPRUS OR A SUPPORTING VOTE IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THIS IS NEITHER AUTOMATIC NOR SLAVISH. INSTEAD, IT REPRESENTS BRITAIN'S CONFIDENT EXPRESSION OF ITS NEWLY ASSERTIVE ROLF IN THE WORLD. ITS SHARP EYE FOF THE PROTECTION OF ITS OWN INTERESTS, AND ITS RECOGNITION THAT ONE BUYS LITTLE TIME IN WASHINGTON WITH MERE BLANDISHMENTS. 10. IN RETURN THE BRITISH EXPECT TO BE LISTENED TO AND FOREWARNED. AND SOMETIMES THEIR CONTRIBUTION IS DESIGNED, LIKE RIDERS ON A TANDEM BIKE. TO INFLUENCE OUR OWN PACE LEST WE GET OVERHEATED. BUT FUNDAMENTALLY THIS NEW VIGOR DEMONSTRATES BRITAIN'S AFFIRMATION THAT WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME WESTERN BOAT TOGETHER, AND THE RISKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF NAVIGATION MUST BE SHARED. SEITZ

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HALLS. THE QUEEN. BRITAIN WAS A COUNTRY WHOSE DESTINY FAD PLAYED OUT. GRADUALLY THIS VERDANT BUT GERIATRIC ISLE WAS TRANSFORMING ITSELF INTO A KIND OF SICILY OF THE NORTH. THE PEST GLOSS TO BE APPLIED WAS TO SAY THAT BRITAIN, AS THE WEST'S FIRST INDUSTRIAL SOCIFTY, WAS ALSO TO BE ITS FIRST POST-INDUSTRIAL SOCIFTY, A RATIONALIZATION THAT GAVE SOME DIGNITY TO IDLE FACTORIES AND THREE-DAY WEEKS.

5. THE BRITISH MALAISE WAS THE BRITISH. IN THE 1970S BRITAIN WAS CLASS-RIDDEN AND UNION-BOUND. THF DEFINITION OF GOOD MANAGEMENT WAS TO SFE HOW MUCH MONFY YOU COULD SQUIRREL AWAY OVERSEAS. THE MINERS BROUGHT DOWN TWO GOVERNMENTS AND THE IMF BAILED OUT THF TREASURY. LIKE A RAGAMUFFIN LATE FOR CLASS, BPITAIN SLOUCHED INTO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY. BRITAIN'S POLITICS WERE DRAB AND PETULANT. FOREIGN COMMITMENTS WERE REGARDED AS SOMETHING STICKY TO BF SCRAPED OFF THF BOTTOM OF A RETREATING BOOT. TEN YEARS AGO THIS WAS A HANG-DOG COUNTRY AND YOU COULDN'T FIND A BRIT WHO FAT A GOOD THING TO SAY AFOUT THE PLACE. NO SWAGGEP AND NO STICK.

6. WHAT HAPPENED? FIRST, OIL -- LOTS OF IT. SECOND, THE FALKLANDS, WHICH RESUSCITATED THE ENDEARING JINGOISM TFAT LIES JUST BENFATH THE LINING OF FVERY FNGLISH HEART. THIRD, A BURGEONING INTERNATIONAL FCONOMY THAT OPENED ITSELF TO BRITISH FXPORTS AND, APOVE ALL, BPITISH INVESTMENTS. FOURTH, THE TPIVIALIZATION OF OPPOSITION PARTIES WHICH HIELDED THF STAGF TO A DOMINANT, SINGLE PARTY OF GOVERNMENT. ANT, FINALLY, MARGARET THATCHER WHO BARRELED INTO BFITAIN AS A TOUGH, WILLFUL, PURPOSEFUL, DOMINEERING, TIRELESS, HECTORING, IDEOLOGICAL PHENOMENON OF A PRIME MINISTER. TO A SOCIETY ACCUSTOMED TO ASPIRIN, SHF ADMINISTERFD TRANSPLANTS.

7. NOW, IN PRITAIN, SAD TO SAY, IT IS RAFE TO SEF A BOWLER HAT OR A CLOTH CAP. MOST PEOPLE SEEM TO HAVE VIDEOS, CARS, MORTGAGES AND PLANS TO TAKE THE RIDS TO FLORIDA. THE PLACE IS AWASH IN YUPPIENESS AND SURPEY NO LONGER HAS TO APOLOGIZE TO CONNECTICUT. CALCIFIED INSTITUTIONS ARE DISSOLVING, THE EXCHEQUER IS TAKING IN FAR MORE THAN IT IS PAYING OUT, ENGLAND BEAT FEANCE AT TWICKENHAM, AND THE PRIME MINISTER CLOSES A DECADE OF

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8. IN THE INEVITABLE RHYTHM OF HISTORY, CF COURSE, MUCH OF THIS WILL COME TO AN END. THE FOUNDATIONS ARF NOT INDEFINITELY SECURE. LARGE AND DISMAL PATCHFS OF NORTHERN ENGLAND REMAIN UNAFFECTED BY THF MFTAMORPHOSIS, AND THE GOVERNMENT'S PRESENT PROGRAM OF SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION SITS UNEASILY WITH A PUBLIC THAT TAKES COSY COMFORT IN THE SLIGHTLY FRAYED AND FAMILIAP. BUT SO FAR MARGARET THATCHER HAS DEFIED FOLITICAL GRAVITY JUST AS HER OPPOSITION HAS DEFIED POLITICAL GRAVITAS. AND WITH EACH DAY THAT GOFS BY, BRITAIN'S GENUINE SEA CHANGE RUNS DEEPER.

9. THIS IS GOOD NEWS FOR US. FOR THF FIRST TIMF IN A QUARTER-CENTURY WE ARE DEALING WITH A MUDDLE-FREE PRITAIN. WITH A SOUND ECONOMY AND AN UNASSAILABLE POLITICAL BASE, THE THATCHER GOVERNMENT HAS LITTLE OF THE PREOCCUPIED HAND-WRINGING THAT OFTEN CHARACTERIZES SO MANY OF THE COALITICN GOVERNMENTS IN EUROPE. PFITAIN'S FOREIGN POLICY IS INCREASINGLY CONFIDENT AND ASSERTIVE. MRS. THATCHER LIKES STAKING OUT THE HARD LIME ON NUCLFAR ISSUFS; SHE LIKES FEELING COMFORTABLE AND SERIOUS IN THE KREMLIN OF THE WHITF HOUSE; SHE LIKES THE SUPPOPTING ROLE IN AFGHANISTAN OR ANGOLA OR THE MIDDLE EAST; SHE LIKES POURING COLD WATER ON FUROPE'S INSTITUTIONAL FANTASIES. AND IF THOSE AFGIES GET UPPITY AGAIN, BY JOVE, SHE'D LIKE TO GIVE THEM ANOTHER SOUND THRASHING TOO.

10. AS WE REVIEW OUR OWN STRATEGIC POSTURE, WE SHOULD BFAR IN MIND TFAT BRITAIN IS AN ASSET FOR US:

- -- BRITAIN IS A NUCLEAR POWER AND INTENDS TO RFMAIN SO WELL INTO THE NEXT CENTURY. WHEN THE TRIPENT PROGRAM IS COMPLETE BRITAIN WILL HAVE INCREASED ITS STRATEGIC WARHEAD CAPACITY BY MORE THAN FOUR-FOLD, A FIGURE ALL THE MORE SIGNIFICANT IF WE REACH A START AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS.

- -- BRITAIN IS A CASE STUDY FOR THF FREE MARKET FCONOMY AND ALL THE POLITICAL VALUES THAT FLOW FROM IT. THE BANKRUPTCY OF STATISM HAS BEEN NOWHERE MOPF FXPOSFD THAN HERE. BRITAIN IS A ROLE MODEL FOR OTHERS -- IF IT WORKS FOR AMERICA, THAT'S ONE THING; PUT IF IT WORKS FOR BRITAIN, THAT'S REALLY SOMETHING ELSE.

- -- IF WE ARE TO DETER A WAR IN EUPOPE, PRITAIN IS VITAL. DESPITE THE SINGULARITY OF ITS GEOGRAPHY, BRITAIN DOES NOT WISH TO BE SINGULARIZED ANY MORE THAN CTHEPS, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO SECURITY QUESTIONS OF DFPLOYMENTS OR EURDENSHARING OR ARMS CONTROL OR INTELLIGENCE EXCHANGE, BRITAIN IS READY TO DO MORE THAN CTHEPS AND TO CAJOLE OTHERS TO DO MORE AS WELL. FRITAIN LIKES THE BIG LEAGUES.

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-- ON TRADE ISSUES BRITAIN IS USUALLY IN THE CORNER OF COMMON SENSE. SUBSIDIES AND OTHER DISTORTIONS SHOULD BE REDUCED OF ELIMINATED. THE PRITISH ARE OFTEN CONSTRAINED BY THEIR EC MEMBERSHIP, PUT IT IS FAR BETTER TO HAVE THEM IN THAN OUT, AND THEY WILL USUALLY ARGUE THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE CASE IF WE ARF CONSTRUCTIVE AND PRAGMATIC IN OUR OWN POINTS. WHEN WF BECOME CLUMSY OR LOUTISH ABOUT EXTRATEPRITORIALITY OR SANCTIONS OR UNILATEFAL RESTRICTIONS, OUR PATHS DIVERGE.

-- THROUGH ARMS SALES, TRADE AND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BRITAIN IS GRADUALLY REASSERTING ITS INTERFSTS AND INFLUENCE IN THE THIRD WORLD. A DECADE

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AGO IT YOULD HAVE BEEN INCONCEIVABLE FOR A BRITISH GOVERN. ENT TO DISPATCH MINESWEEPERS EAST OF SUEZ. THE PRITISH ARE OFTEN MORE CONSISTENT ON TERRORISM THAN WE ARE. AND AS DIPLOMACY AND PEACEKEEPING COME PACK INTO FASHION, BRITAIN, WITH ITS PERMANENT SEAT ON THE SFCURITY COUNCIL AND ITS TRADITIONAL PREFMINENCE IN THF COMMONWFALTH, HAS WIDER SCOPE TO DO WHAT IT DOES BFST: NEGOTIATE.

11. SO, BRITAIN IS NO LONGER A DIPLOMATIC LFG-IRON FOR US. IT IS NOW A POSITIVE ASSET TO BE DEALT WITH IMAGINATIVELY. IN FAST-WEST ISSUES OR IN THE COUNCILS OF EUROPE IT IS NOT ALTOGETHER PAD TO HAVE BRITAIN ARGUING SOMEWHERE TO THE RIGHT OF US. AND IT IS ALTOGETHER GOOD TO HAVE ANOTHER GOVERNMENT THAT GENUINELY WANTS TO SUPPORT US, NOT JUST RHETORICALLY BUT SPECIFICALLY AND ACTIVELY AS WELL.

12. IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO EXPECT BRITAIN TO CARRY OUR WATER, AND MRS. THATCHER AS MESSENGER DOES NOT ALWAYS HAVE THE PROPER ACCENT. IT WOULD BE A PARTICULAR MISTAKE TO VIEW LONDON AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO DIRECT DEALINGS IN OTHER CAPITALS. INSTEAD, WE SHOULD CREATIVELY NURTURE THIS FAMILIAR RELATIONSHIP; WE SHOULD REGARD IT AS A VIGOROUS AND EXPANDING ASSET AS OUR OWN ROLE BECOMES MORE BURDENED; WE SHOULD CONSULT AND LISTEN; AND WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT THE BRITISH, ONCE CONVINCED, WILL ACT.

13. THIS FMBASSY HAS PREPARED A SERIES OF BRIEF CABLES THAT EXAMINES WHERE OUR INTERESTS INTERSECT WITH BRITISH INTERESTS AND WHERE OUR RESPECTIVE POLICIES ARF MOST ENERGETICALLY ENTWINED. THESE ARE NOT DESIGNED AS DFFINITIVE, ANALYTICAL PIECES BUT AS EFFORTS TO SET UP THE GUIDEPOSTS AND LIMITS OF ANGLO-AMERICAN COOPERATION AND TO DESCRIBE THE RED LINES IN BRITISH THINKING AS OUR NEW ADMINISTRATION SETS ITS OWN COURSE. TOGFTHER THFSE CABLES CONSTITUTE THE BASELINES OF OUR BELATIONSHIP.

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