PRIME MINISTER'S

PERSONAL MESSAGE

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THE PRIME MINISTER

1 August 1980

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to thank you for the two splendid gifts of carved ivory which your Ambassador here has been kind enough to forward to me on your behalf. It was a most generous gesture.

I greatly enjoyed our conversation and share your hope that an opportunity will present itself for further discussions. I look forward with much pleasure to taking up your invitation to pay a visit to the Sudan - though it may I fear be some little time before this proves possible.

Yours sincerely,

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From the Private Secretary

1 August 1980

I enclose a copy of a letter to the Prime Minister from the Sudanese Ambassador and a copy of the consequent letter from the Prime Minister to President Nimeiri. I should be grateful if you could arrange for the latter to be delivered in Khartoum. You will note that President Nimeiri has extended an invitation to the Prime Minister to visit the Sudan and that the Prime Minister has accepted in principle.

M. O'D. B. ALEXANDER

Paul Lever, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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From the Private Secretary

1 August 1980

I am replying on the Prime Minister's behalf to your letter to her of 31 July. The Prime Minister has written to President Nimeiri thanking him for his gifts. I enclose a copy of the Prime Minister's letter.

M. O'D. B. ALEXANDER

His Excellency Sayed Amir El-Sawi

EMBASSY OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE SUDAN ST. JAMES'S LONDON, S.W. I. 31st July, 1980 Madame Prime Minister, Now that the private visit of His Excellency The President of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan has come to an end, my President Gaafar Mohamed Nimeiri, has requested me to extend to you personally his sincere thanks and appreciation for all the facilities and assistance kindly provided to him by Her Majesty's Government which made his brief stay in your great city for convalescence, both most comfortable and memorable. His Excellency cherished the opportunity of meeting you and enjoyed the fruitful discussions you had together and he looks forward to a more opportune time to have more talks and wider discussions. His Excellency, the President, also requested me to extend an invitation to you to visit the Sudan at any future date convenient. His Excellency, the President, would very much appreciate your acceptance of the herewith forwarded token souvenir of pure Sudanese handcraft as a rememberance of his visit. In conclusion I should like to avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurance of my highest consideration. Amir Elsawi Amir El Sawi, Ambassador. The Prime Minister, 10, Downing Street, London SW1.