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AGRADEZCO SU GENTIL MENSAJE DE FELICITACION CON MOTIVO DE MI ELECCION A LA PRESIDENCIA DE MI PAIS Y ME ES GRATO, A MI VEZ, COORESPONDER A SUS PROPOSITOS DE ESTRECHAR LA COLABORACION ENTRE NUESTROS GOBIERNOS CON CONCORDANCIA CON LA AMISTAD QUE UNEN A NUESTROS DOS PUEBLOS.

ALAN GARCIA

PRESIDENTE ELECTO DEL PERU

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TO THE PRESIDENT-ELECT. YOU SHOULD DELAY DELIVERY UNTIL
OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION OF ELECTION RESULTS.

BEGINS: CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR DECISIVE VICTORY IN THE RECENT
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. THIS WAS IMPRESSIVE TESTIMONY TO THE
VIGOUR OF THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS IN PERU. I WISH YOU AND YOUR
FUTURE GOVERNMENT EVERY SUCCESS AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
WITH YOU IN THE YEARS AHEAD. ENDS.

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From the Private Secretary

6 May 1985

PERU: MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT-ELECT

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The Prime Minister is content for the message of congratulations to President-elect Garcia, enclosed with your letter of 3 May, to be despatched.

Charles Powell

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Peter Ricketts, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

3 May 1985

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Dear Mark,

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Peru: Message of Congratulations to
President-Elect

Sr Alan Garcia and his centre-left APRA party (which has not previously held power in its sixty year history) have won the first round of the Peruvian Presidential elections held on 14 April. Although Sr Garcia appears not to have gained the 51 per cent vote needed to win the first round outright (the counting is not yet complete), the runner-up, Sr Alfonso Barrantes, has withdrawn from the contest. Provided an All Party Bill is passed by Congress to permit the constitutionally prescribed second round to be dispensed with, Sr Garcia, who is 35, will be declared President-elect in the next few days.

These elections will lead to the first transfer of power from one democratically elected government to another in Peru for 40 years. They passed off relatively smoothly, despite attempts to sabotage them by the terrorist group Sendero Luminoso whose declared aim is the overthrow of Peru's democratic institutions.

Garcia's policies are something of an unknown quantity. On the economic side he has talked of a selective moratoria on capital and interest payments to creditors. Our Ambassador in Peru's advice is that we should take every opportunity to try and exert a positive influence on the APRA government during its early days, and in particular on its notably decisive leader. He therefore recommends that the Prime Minister send a message of congratulations to the President-elect. I enclose a draft. This is deliberately couched in fairly restrained terms, given the uncertainties referred to above.

We suggest that the Embassy in Lima should be asked to delay delivery of the message until the results are confirmed.

Yours ever,

Peter Ricketts

(P F Ricketts)
Private Secretary

Mark Addison Esq
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11 to the President-elect. You should delay delivery until
12 official confirmation of election results.
13 Begins: Congratulations on your decisive victory in the recent
14 Presidential elections. This was impressive testimony to the
15 vigour of the democratic process in Peru. I wish you and your
16 future government every success and look forward to working
17 with you in the years ahead. Ends.
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