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PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 May, 1985.  
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Dear Mr President,

I was deeply saddened to learn that French people were among the victims of yesterday's events in Brussels. No words can adequately express the horror and revulsion which I and millions of British people felt at the scenes of violence which we witnessed on our television screens. This terrible tragedy has brought shame on those responsible and on their country - it should never have happened. On behalf of Her Majesty's Government I should like to express my deepest sympathy to the families of those who lost their lives.

I have sent a message to the Italian Prime Minister expressing the hope that a disaster fund will be set up to help the families of all the victims, and stating that we are making available immediately £250,000 as an initial contribution.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Monsieur Francois Mitterrand

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