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TO ALL MINISTERS

US PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

During the course of the next few weeks Ministers may be approached by radio and television producers to take part in programmes discussing the United States Presidential Election result.

The Prime Minister has agreed that no Minister should take part in such a programme in the days preceding the election, on the night of the election or immediately after it. The first official comment on the result will be a message of congratulations from the Government.

I should be glad if you would bear this in mind when making your media arrangements in the coming weeks.

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