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PRIME MINISTER'S
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TO PRIORITY COLOMBO
TELEGRAM NUMBER 193 OF 18 OCTOBER

1. PROVIDED THAT HE WINS, PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATION FROM THE PRIME MINISTER TO PRESIDENT JAYEWARDENE AS SOON AS YOU JUDGE IT SEEMLY.

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BEGINS: PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RE-ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF SRI LANKA FOR A FURTHER PERIOD. I AM CONFIDENT THAT UNDER YOUR CONTINUED WISE LEADERSHIP OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL BUILD ON THE FIRM FRIENDSHIP WHICH HAS EXISTED BETWEEN THEM FOR SO LONG, AND I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN THE FULFILMENT OF YOUR HIGH OFFICE. MARGARET THATCHER. ENDS

2. PLEASE CONFIRM BY TELEGRAM WHEN THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN DELIVERED.

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The President was duly re-elected on 20/10/82, the message was delivered on the same day.

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From the Private Secretary

18 October 1982

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Sri Lanka: Presidential Elections

Thank you for your letter of 15 October.

Provided that Jayewardene wins on 20 October, the Prime Minister agrees that she should send a quick message of congratulations. She has approved the draft you enclosed, subject to the following amendments:

- (a) in line 15 delete "warm feelings of mutual regard" and substitute "firm friendship";
- (b) in line 16 substitute "has" for "have" and end the sentence at "long". Then the final sentence would begin "I wish you".

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