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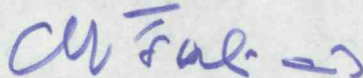
14 November 1986

No.F.2012.2/2

Dear Private Secretary,

With reference to the Ambassador's letter of 7 November 1986, I have the honour to enclose the letter addressed to the Prime Minister by Mr. Andreas G. Papandreou, Prime Minister of Greece.

Yours sincerely,



Christos Tsalikis
Counsellor

The Principal Private Secretary
to The Rt.Hon. Margaret Thatcher M.P.,
Prime Minister,
10 Downing Street,
London S.W.I.

Athens, November 6th, 1986

The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher
Prime Minister of Great Britain
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Looking forward to seeing you at the Summit meeting of the E.E.C. in London,

Yours Sincerely,



Andreas G. Papandreou

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From the Private Secretary

7 November 1986

I enclose a copy of a message to the Prime Minister from Mr. Papandreou which was delivered by the Greek Ambassador this evening. It appears to be intended to be conciliatory in tone. I should be grateful for a draft reply which might, if appropriate, refer to the possibility of selling Tornado to Greece.

I am copying this letter and enclosure to John Howe (Ministry of Defence) and to David Williamson (Cabinet Office).

(Charles Powell)

C. R. Budd, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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The Ambassador

Greek Embassy
London

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Yours sincerely,
S. Stathatos

Stephanos G. Stathatos

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