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PRIME MINISTER

SOUTH AFRICAN AMBASSADOR

The South African Ambassador (Dr. Worrall) and his wife are coming to pay a farewell call tomorrow.

As you know, Dr. Worrall is resigning to fight the election in South Africa, apparently as an independent. He has been an able apologist for the Government's policies here.

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Points which you might make are:

- the Eminent Persons' Group was a missed opportunity;
- the South African Government should not persuade itself that the present lull in international criticism is anything more than that. International pressure for sanctions will build up again at any time;
- the action most likely to provoke this is a South African attack on a neighbouring country;
- it is vital that there should be a move forward again in South Africa after the elections, with further domestic reforms;
- this must lead to release of Mandela and other ANC political prisoners in return for reasonable assurances about suspension of violence. That will remain the critical issue.

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