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MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO DR DE MAIZIERE

1. GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE  
PRIME MINISTER TO DR DE MAIZIERE AS SOON AS HIS NOMINATION HAS  
BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE VOLKSKAMMER:

BEGINS

I SEND YOU WARM CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR APPOINTMENT AS PRIME  
MINISTER OF THE GDR AND WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN TACKLING THE  
TASKS AHEAD. WE DO NOT FOR A MOMENT UNDERESTIMATE HOW DIFFICULT  
THEY ARE: BUT WITH YOUR RESOUNDING SUCCESS IN THE ELECTIONS YOU  
HAVE A CLEAR MANDATE TO OVERCOME THEM.

WITH EVERY GOOD WISH.

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From the Private Secretary

11 April 1990

Dear Bob,

FORMATION OF A NEW GDR GOVERNMENT:  
MESSAGE TO DR. DE MAIZIERE

Thank you for your letter of 11 April recommending a message from the Prime Minister to Dr. de Maiziere. I am sure she would want to do this but the text enclosed with your letter is perhaps a bit too enthusiastic. I suggest:

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"I send you warm congratulations on your appointment as Prime Minister of the GDR and wish you every success in tackling the tasks ahead. We do not for a moment underestimate how difficult they are: But with your resounding success in the elections you have a clear mandate to overcome them.

With every good wish."

Yours sincerely,  
Chris R.

(C. D. POWELL)

R. N. Peirce, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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11 April 1990

*Dr Amherst*

Formation of a New GDR Government:  
Message to Dr de Maiziere

The coalition negotiations in the GDR are reaching their conclusion, and Dr de Maiziere, as expected, has been nominated as Prime Minister. This is likely to be confirmed by the GDR's Parliament, the Volkskammer, this Thursday.

/ The Prime Minister sent a message to Dr de Maiziere after his election victory. It would be right to follow this up with a further message now, congratulating him on his appointment. The Embassy would arrange for this to be passed to him as soon as his nomination was confirmed.

/ I enclose a draft.

*Tomson*  
*Robe*

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MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO LOTHAR DE MAIZIERE, CHAIRMAN,  
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1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE:

BEGINS

'I SEND YOU MY WARM CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RESOUNDING SUCCESS  
IN YESTERDAY'S ELECTIONS.

THIS WAS A GREAT DAY FOR DEMOCRACY AND FOR GERMANY.

YOU CAN BE SURE OF OUR UNDERSTANDING AND SYMPATHY AS WE ALL  
WORK TOGETHER ON THE IMPORTANT DECISIONS WHICH LIE AHEAD IN  
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