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From the Private Secretary

28 September 1990

GERMAN UNIFICATION ON 3 OCTOBER

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Thank you for your letter of 27 September with the Foreign Secretary's recommendation that the Prime Minister should send a message to Chancellor Kohl on the occasion of German unification. The Prime Minister is willing to do this, and I enclose a revised text which can be despatched for delivery on 3 October.

The Prime Minister does not think it necessary to make a public statement on 3 October. However, she is considering recording a brief television message that day.

CHARLES POWELL

R H T Gozney Esq
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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12	GERMAN UNIFICATION: MESSAGE TO CHANCELLOR KOHL	
13	1. Please deliver on 3 October the following message to	
14	Chancellor Kohl from the Prime Minister.	
15	BEGINS	
16	I offer you my warmest congratulations on this special day	
17	when your country is once again united. The unification	
18	of Germany represents an important step in overcoming	
19	the <u>division</u> of our continent. Together with our Allies,	
20	we withstood the difficult period of the Cold War. Now	
21	Germany is to be united in peace and freedom. A united	
22	Germany will have a profoundly important role in Europe	
23	as we face the future as friends, allies and partners.	
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Prime Minister

Agree to this

*message, & the statement
to be issued by the
No. 10 Press Office?*

Dear Charles,

German Unification on 3 October

/ The Foreign Secretary considers that it would serve our interests if the Prime Minister were to send a message to Chancellor Kohl on the occasion of German unification. I enclose a draft, which we would ask Sir C Mallaby to deliver. We understand that the Federal German Ambassador will be instructed to deliver a message from Chancellor Kohl to the Prime Minister on 3 October.

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The Foreign Secretary plans to send a message to Herr Genscher, and we are recommending that HM The Queen and Mr Speaker also send messages.

/ The Prime Minister might also make a public statement on 3 October. This would provide the authoritative British reaction and could be used to deflect requests for interviews. I enclose a draft.

Yours ever,

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your country is once again united.

The unification of Germany represents an important step in
overcoming the division of our continent. Together ^{we} ~~with our~~
~~Allies, we~~ ^{withstood} ~~stood with you~~ through the difficult period of the
Cold War. Now Germany is to be united in peace and freedom.

~~That is a remarkable achievement for the Western alliance.~~

A united Germany in Europe will have a profoundly important
role in Europe. ^{as we face the future as french, allies} ~~We look forward to working with you as a~~
~~friend, ally and partner.~~ peter

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STATEMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER ON GERMAN UNIFICATION

1. The unification of Germany on 3 October marks a decisive step in overcoming the division of Europe. It is a vindication of the Western Alliance's steadfastness over the last 40 years that Germany should now be united in peace and freedom.

2. We look forward to working with the united Germany as a friend, ally and partner in the new Europe. A united Germany will have a great contribution to make to the security and prosperity of both Europe and the wider world.