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PRIME MINISTER'S TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH THE CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER

1. MR MULRONEY RAISED 3 SUBJECTS IN HIS TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH MRS THATCHER ON 17 MARCH.
2. NICARAGUA: IN RESPONSE TO MR MULRONEY'S ENQUIRY, MRS THATCHER SAID SHE HAD RECEIVED NO REQUEST FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN TO MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES LINE ON NICARAGUA. ALTHOUGH SHE WOULD NOT WANT TO HINDER THE UNITED STATES FROM DEFENDING ITS OWN BACKYARD, HER OWN PUBLIC LINE WOULD BE THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM SUPPORTED THE CONTADORA PROCESS AND THAT ANYTHING BEYOND THAT WAS A MATTER FOR THE UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATION'S JUDGMENT, ALTHOUGH WE NOTED WITH REGRET THE STEADILY MORE REPRESSIVE NATURE OF THE NICARAGUAN REGIME.
3. GROUP OF FIVE: THE PRIME MINISTER SAID SHE HAD DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE G5 WITH SENOR CRAXI RECENTLY. OBVIOUSLY ITALY AND CANADA SHOULD TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS OF MATTERS AFFECTING EXCHANGE RATES, WHEN IMPORTANT DECISIONS AFFECTING THEM WERE TO BE TAKEN, BUT IT WAS ESSENTIAL NOT TO GO

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BEYOND THAT. IN PARTICULAR, NEITHER THE EC PRESIDENCY NOR THE COMMISSION SHOULD BE INCLUDED. EQUALLY, SHE DID NOT WANT TO SEE THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT SEVEN EXTENDED TO TAKE IN EG AUSTRALIA.

4. PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT: THE PRIME MINISTER SAID SHE WAS MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO HER VISIT TO VANCOUVER. THE CONVERSATION ENDED WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION EITHER OF THAT VISIT OR OF THE QUESTION IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF YOUR TELEGRAM NUM 132.

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