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TO IMMEDIATE HOLY SEE
TELEGRAM NUMBER 43 OF 21 NOVEMBER
INFO IMMEDIATE ROME

ANGLO-ITALIAN SUMMIT: MESSAGE TO THE POPE

1. GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD ARRANGE FOR FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM
THE PRIME MINISTER TO REACH THE POPE BEFORE MRS THATCHER'S
ARRIVAL:

BEGINS

I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY REGRET THAT I HAVE HAD TO
ASK YOUR OFFICIALS TO REARRANGE THE TIMING OF MY CALL
ON YOU ON MONDAY AT SHORT NOTICE. IT HAS ONLY JUST
BECOME APPARENT THAT A MAJOR GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON
ECONOMIC POLICY WILL HAVE TO BE MADE ON MONDAY 24
NOVEMBER. MY PRESENCE THERE WILL BE ESSENTIAL. NEVER-
THELESS, I LOOK FORWARD VERY MUCH TO HAVING A GOOD TALK
WITH YOU AT THE REARRANGED TIME OF 1030 ON MONDAY 24
NOVEMBER AND I VERY MUCH HOPE THAT THE ALTERATION WILL
NOT HAVE CAUSED YOU TOO MUCH INCONVENIENCE. ENDS

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TO IMMEDIATE ROME
TELEGRAM NUMBER 566 OF 21 NOVEMBER
AND TO IMMEDIATE HOLY SEE (ROME PASS)
FROM WED

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO ROME: 23-24 NOVEMBER

- AS YOU KNOW FROM TELECONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, THE PRIME MINISTER WILL NOW HAVE TO LEAVE ROME EARLIER THAN EXPECTED ON THE MORNING OF 24 NOVEMBER IN ORDER TO RETURN TO LONDON FOR THE DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS. MESSAGES OF EXPLANATION HAVE BEEN SENT.
- THE PRIME MINISTER HAS AGREED TO THE ITALIAN PROPOSAL THAT SHE SHOULD ARRIVE AT FIUMCINO AIRPORT AT 1700 ON 23 NOVEMBER AND THAT TALKS SHOULD BEGIN AT 1815. WE ARE MOST GRATEFUL TO THE ITALIANS FOR PROPOSING THIS RE-ARRANGEMENT OF THE PROGRAMME. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SIGNOR FORLANI PROPOSES TO GIVE A LARGER DINNER WITH WIVES AT 2100 AS PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED AND DOES NOT FAVOUR THE IDEA OF A WORKING DINNER.
- THE PRIME MINISTER HAS AGREED TO THE VATICAN'S PROPOSAL THAT HER CALL ON THE POPE SHOULD BE RE-ARRANGED FOR 1030 ON 24 NOVEMBER. WE ASSUME THAT THIS WILL MEAN TAKING OFF FROM ROME AT APPROXIMATELY 1130 INSTEAD OF 1040 AS WE HAD EARLIER PROPOSED. WE UNDERSTAND THAT A CALL ON CARDINAL CASAROLI IS NOW PROPOSED FOR 1000 BEFORE THE CALL ON THE POPE. THE PRIME MINISTER IS CONTENT TO MAKE AN EARLIER START TO MEET SIGNOR FORLANI'S WISH FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE. THIS WOULD PRESUMABLY MEAN:
 - 0830 - 0915 BREAKFAST WITH PRESIDENT PERTINI;
 - 0920 - 0950 JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AT SIGNOR FORLANI'S OFFICE.
- THE SECRETARY OF STATE EXPECTS TO LEAVE ROME BY RAF AIRCRAFT AT ABOUT 1400, AFTER LUNCH. GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD INFORM BRUSSELS WHEN AIRCRAFT TAKES OFF. UNLESS ANY PARTICULAR POINTS ARISE ON THE SUNDAY EVENING WHICH THE TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS WISH TO FOLLOW UP, WE DO NOT FORESEE ANY NEED TO ARRANGE FURTHER TALKS WITH SIGNOR COLOMBO ON THE MONDAY MORNING. LORD CARRINGTON DOES NOT

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EXPECT TO ACCOMPANY THE PRIME MINISTER FOR HER CALL ON THE POPE.

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