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PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
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TO IMMEDIATE MOSCOW  
TELNO 1630  
OF 181635 OCTOBER 1985

FCO TELNO 1002: MR GORBACHEV'S BIRTHDAY MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRIME MINISTER'S REPLY TO MR GORBACHEV DATED 15 OCTOBER:

BEGINS 'THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MESSAGE WHICH YOU AND YOUR WIFE SENT ON THE OCCASION OF MY BIRTHDAY. IT WAS A KIND THOUGHT.

I, TOO, RECALL OUR VERY USEFUL TALKS AT CHEQUERS AND IN MOSCOW WHICH LED TO A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF EACH OTHER'S POINT OF VIEW.. I HOPE THAT UNDERSTANDING CAN BE ENLARGED IN FUTURE, AND MEANWHILE THAT YOUR TALKS IN GENEVA WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN WILL PROVE FRUITFUL.

MY HUSBAND JOINS ME IN SENDING BEST WISHES TO YOU AND TO MRS GORBACHEV.' ENDS.

2. SIGNED ORIGINAL FOLLOWS BY BAG. GRATEFUL FOR CONFIRMATION OF DELIVERY.

3. WE ARE NOT INTENDING TO MAKE PUBLIC THIS EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES.

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