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THE RESIGNATION OF THE NETHERLANDS PRIME MINISTER
1. WHEN MR VAN AGT STEPS DOWN PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER:

BEGINS

DEAR DRIES

I WAS VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR RESIGNATION. WE SHALL MISS YOU
VERY MUCH IN OUR EUROPEAN MEETINGS. I WOULD NOT WISH YOUR
DEPARTURE FROM OFFICE AFTER ELEVEN YEARS AS A MINISTER TO PASS
WITHOUT SAYING HOW MUCH I HAVE VALUED YOUR FRIENDSHIP,
COOPERATION AND WISE COUNSEL. WARM GOOD WISHES TO YOU AND YOUR
FAMILY.

ENDS

MESSAGE FOR THE NEW PRIME MINISTER:

BEGINS

DEAR PRIME MINISTER

ISEND YOU MY WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON ASSUMING THE
PREMIERSHIP OF THE NETHERLANDS. I VERY MUCH LOOK FORWARD TO
MEETING YOU AT THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL, AS WELL AS TO WORKING WITH
YOU IN FUTURE. WARM REGARDS,
MARGARET THATCHER.

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19 October 1982

THE RESIGNATION OF THE NETHERLANDS PRIME MINISTER

Thank you for your letter of 15 October.

The Prime Minister agrees that, when the time comes, she should send messages to Mr. van Agt and to his successor. Mrs. Thatcher has approved the texts in the draft telegram enclosed with your letter except that, in the message to Mr. van Agt, she would wish a sentence to be inserted after the first sentence, reading:

"We shall miss you very much in our European meetings."

A. J. COLES

Roger Bone, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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 THE HAGUE

31 January 1983

Prime Minister

A.S.C. 4/2.

A J Coles Esq
 10 Downing Street
 London

Dear John

Dries van Agt, the last Dutch Prime Minister, who resigned in September, gave a long interview to Vrij Nederland, a leading Dutch newspaper, on 29 January. What he said on deployment of Cruise missiles in the Netherlands was consistent with the robust line he took in the election campaign.

2. But he was also asked if he missed the international contacts he enjoyed when Prime Minister. He commented in passing that on his resignation he had an extremely pleasant letter (this emphasised three times) from Margaret Thatcher. The letter clearly gave him a great deal of pleasure.

3. Asked later what he would do if someone now asked him to return as Prime Minister, he said that he would accept feeling that he was now sufficiently rested! But at the moment there is no sign that the invitation will be forthcoming.

Yours ever
 Philip Mansfield

Philip Mansfield

cc: A M Wood Esq
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The following information was obtained from the files of the Michigan State Police on the subject of [redacted] on [redacted] 1952.

[redacted] was born on [redacted] at [redacted] Michigan. He is a [redacted] and has been residing at [redacted] since [redacted].

[redacted] was arrested on [redacted] at [redacted] Michigan. He was charged with [redacted] and is currently being held in the [redacted] Jail.

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	9	THE RESIGNATION OF THE NETHERLANDS PRIME MINISTER
	10	1. When Mr van Agt steps down please pass the following message
	11	from the Prime Minister:
	12	BEGINS
	13	Dear Dries
	14	I was very sorry to hear of your resignation. <i>We shall miss you very much in our European meetings</i> I would not wish
	15	your departure from office after eleven years as a Minister to
	16	pass without saying how much I have valued your friendship,
	17	cooperation and wise counsel. Warm good wishes to you and your
	18	family.
	19	Margaret Thatcher
	20	ENDS
	21	Message for the new Prime Minsiter
///	22	BEGINS
//	23	Dear Prime Minister
/	24	I send you my warmest congratulations on assuming the
	25	premiership of the Netherlands. I very much look forward to

We shall miss you very much in our European meetings

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2	meeting you at the European Council, as well as to working with
3	you in future. Warm regards,
4	Margaret Thatcher.
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