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PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
SERIAL No. T241/80

YOUR TELEGRAM NO 233.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

1. PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER  
TO PRESIDENT EANES:

BEGINS  
MANY CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR REELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL.  
I AM CONFIDENT THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO COOPERATE  
AS CLOSELY IN THE YEARS AHEAD AS THEY HAVE DONE IN THE PAST.  
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Prime Minister. /

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

*JR*  
9/12

9 December 1980

Portugal.

Dear Michael,

Portuguese Presidential Election

On 7 December General Eanes was decisively re-elected President of Portugal on the first round.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary recommends that the Prime Minister should send a short message of congratulation, as in the attached draft telegram to Lisbon.

*Yours ever*

*Rodric Lyne*

(R M J Lyne)  
Private Secretary

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10 Downing Street



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YOUR TELNO 233: PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

1. Please pass following message from Prime Minister to President Eanes.

BEGINS

Many congratulations on your re-election as President of Portugal. I <sup>am confident</sup> have no doubt that our two countries will continue to cooperate as closely as ever in the years ahead as they have done in the past.

ENDS

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Sent on 10/12/80

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PORTUGAL : PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS.

PROVISIONAL RESULTS CONFIRM THAT EANES HAS WON EASILY ON  
THE FIRST ROUND. TURNOUT WAS 84 PER CENT WITH PERCENTAGES  
TO CANDIDATES AS FOLLOWS:

EANES	56.4
SOARES CARNEIRO	40.3
OTELO	1.48
GALVAO DE MELO	0.84
PIRES VELOSO	0.78
AIRES RODRIGUES	0.22

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