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From the Private Secretary

18 October 1990

Dear Stephen

THE GULF

I attach in an envelope to be opened only by the Secretary of State:

- a record of the Prime Minister's talk with Secretary Cheney.
- a message which the Prime Minister sent to President Bush earlier today about the Gulf.
- the President's reply.
- the record of the subsequent telephone conversation between the Prime Minister and the President.
- a further message which the Prime Minister sent the President after consulting the Defence Secretary, Mr. Waldegrave and CDS.

I should be grateful if you could ask the Foreign Secretary to treat them as for his own information only, and to return them to me in the envelope provided.

Yours sincerely,

C.D. POWELL

J.S. Wall, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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SIR ROBIN BUTLER

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I should be grateful if you could return them to me once you have read them.

C.D.P.

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