

PRIME MINISTER'S

PERSONAL MESSAGE

SERIAL No. T56 'A' /83

CL MASTER
OPS

US Declassified

Dear Margaret:

Your most thoughtful cable of sympathy following the tragic attack upon our Embassy in Beirut has been a source of comfort and encouragement both to me personally and to the relatives of those Americans killed or wounded.

I am most grateful, too, for the extremely valuable assistance which your Embassy in Beirut has rendered and continues to render to us during this most difficult time. I wish you would send my personal thanks to HMG's Ambassador in Beirut and his entire staff.

The F/C.O. have been asked to do this.
M/S.

As you know, we will not be deterred from our goals in Lebanon nor from our efforts to achieve lasting peace in the Middle East. Indeed, it would be a greater tragedy were we to allow the noble ends, for which those in Lebanon sacrificed their lives, to be frustrated by this cowardly and senseless act.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

/s/

Ron



FILE

LM

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

5 May, 1983

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of 4 May enclosing a message from President Reagan.

A. J. COLES

His Excellency the Honourable John J. Louis Jr.



FILE

LM

10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

5 May, 1983

I enclose a copy of a message which the Prime Minister has received from President Reagan about the recent attack upon the American Embassy in Beirut. I should be grateful if you would arrange for the President's thanks to be sent to H.M. Ambassador in Beirut and his staff for the help which they have given to the American Embassy.

M. J. COLES

John Holmes, Esq.,
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

LM

PM's Box.

②



EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
LONDON

May 4, 1983

Prime Minister

PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
No.

MF

AM 5/3

Dear Prime Minister:

I have been asked to deliver the enclosed message to you from President Reagan, which was received at the Embassy.

Sincerely,

John J. Louis, Jr.
Ambassador

Enclosure

The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher, M.P.,
Prime Minister,
London.