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THE PRIME MINISTER

22 May 1981

Your Excellency

Many thanks for your telex of 21 May, and for your kind wishes.

It was a great pleasure to hear that you had once again taken up post as Minister for Foreign Affairs. Like you, I look forward to strengthening further the already close and happy relationship between your country and the United Kingdom.

Finally, may I say that the Arita vase you gave me two years ago still occupies a place of honour in my study.

signed

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His Excellency Mr. Sunao Sonoda

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THE RIGHT HONORABLE MRS MARGARET THATCHER MP
PRIME MINISTER AND FIRST LORD OF THE TREASURY
NO10 DOWNING STREET LONDONSW1

DEAR PRIME MINISTER,
ON MAY 18 I ASSUMED THE OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO WORK AGAIN FOR FURTHER STRENGTHENING
THE CLOSE AND FRIENDLY

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TIES WHICH HAPPILY EXIST ALREADY BETWEEN YOUR COUNTRY AND JAPAN.
ON THIS OCCASION I WISH TO RENEW MY HIGHEST RESPECTS AND WISHED
TO YOUR EXCELLENCY
SUNAO SONODA

SENT 1545/21

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