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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

2 July, 1984

John Chester

Yes
No

Prime Minister

Agree to message?

[Robin's advice is not to mention CH since you agree it]

recommended it]

CDP

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Message from the Prime Minister to Mr Trudeau

Now that Mr Trudeau has formally left office as Prime Minister of Canada the Prime Minister might wish to consider sending him a formal message of farewell, in addition to the separate exercise already in hand of putting his name forward for a Companionship of Honour. Sir Geoffrey Howe has sent a similar message to Mr MacEachen.

I attach the draft of a possible letter from the Prime Minister. If approved, we could telegraph the text to our High Commission in Ottawa for early delivery to Mr Trudeau and forward the signed original through the bag. Although we would not suggest that the message be given any publicity, it has been drafted in a form which would allow Mr Trudeau to release it to the press if he so wished.

As you know, the Prime Minister has already sent a message of congratulations to Mr Turner (telegram number 159 of 22 June to Ottawa) and we do not think any further action is necessary to mark the assumption of his duties as Prime Minister.

Text at flap

[Handwritten signature]

(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

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THE PRIME MINISTER

DRAFT

I should like to take this opportunity to send you my best wishes as you leave office as Prime Minister. Through your support for the Commonwealth, your participation in the Economic Summits and your energetic role in seeking solutions to many international problems, you have made a major contribution to world affairs. I have very much valued the opportunity to work with you, not least on the patriation of the Canadian Constitution. I also recall with particular pleasure my visit to Canada last year.

I send you ~~my warmest congratulations on your appointment as a Companion of Honour, as well as~~ my best wishes for the future.

P.C.?

The Rt. Hon. Pierre Elliott Trudeau, ~~C.H.~~, Q.C., M.P.

DRAFT: minute/letter/teleletter/despatch/note

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FROM Prime Minister

Reference

DEPARTMENT:

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TO: The Rt Hon Pierre Elliot Trudeau PC QC ^{Your Reference}

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SUBJECT:

.....In Confidence

I should like to take this opportunity to send you my best wishes as you leave office as Prime Minister of Canada. Through your support for the Commonwealth ^{(in solving) solutions to many} and your energetic role ⁱⁿ international affairs ^{problems} you have made a ^{major} contribution to ^{world affairs.} generally you have left your mark not only on your own country but widely in the world.

your participation in the Arctic Summit

May I say too how much I have ^{very much enjoyed opportunity to work} valued working with you, not least on the patriation of the Canadian Constitution. I also recall with particular pleasure my visit to Canada last year.

(my warmest congratulations on your appointment as Companion of Honour, as well as my)
I send you ~~my~~ best wishes for the future.

Enclosures—flag(s).....



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~~Robin~~ Charles
Thanks. I have
told him that there is no
action for him.

Boyer Bone Robin
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wanted to be sure
that you had been
Ottawa (C). no. 305
about Trudman. Please
let him know
if there is any further
action for him. Otherwise
he will assume it is
for you. CD?