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THE PRIME MINISTER

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By the time you receive this message, you will probably already have heard this morning's announcement from 10 Downing Street of my decision to make way for a successor, and to resign as Prime Minister as soon as the Parliamentary Party has completed the necessary procedures for electing a new leader. I shall of course remain in charge of the Government until my successor has been appointed.

I should like to thank you for the great cooperation and friendship which you have shown me and I send you my warmest good wishes for the future. I know that my successor will continue to attach the highest importance to the relations between our countries. In particular I am sure that he will continue Britain's role in helping to defend Saudi Arabia and its neighbours against Iraq's aggression, and our strong support for full implementation of the United Nations Security Council resolutions.

With warm regards,

*I shall continue to give
my strong support to our common purpose
in the Gulf.*

Yours sincerely

King Fahd Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud GCMG

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