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THE PRIME MINISTER

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IN CONFIDENCE

Dear Sir Adam,

Thank you for your letter of 28 March.

You will be glad to know that following your meeting with Arthur Cockfield I sent yesterday an urgent personal message to President Reagan. We have also called for formal consultations under the Bermuda 2 Agreement. We shall have to see whether this will hold up, or at least narrow, the Grand Jury Investigation, so that the US Government interest can as far as possible be resolved inter-governmentally.

Lord Cockfield and the Attorney General are also actively considering what further steps should be taken in the light of developments in the civil actions.

Yours sincerely

Raymond Walker

Sir Adam Thomson, C.B.E.

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