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PERSONAL MESSAGE

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The High Commission for the Federal Republic of Nigeria presents its compliments to the West African Department of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and has the honour to forward herewith, the text of a message from President Shehu Shagari to the British Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher concerning the recent eye operation she underwent:

"I WISH TO JOIN MILLIONS OF OTHER WELL-WISHERS OF YOURS TO EXPRESS MY JOY AT THE GOOD NEWS OF YOUR SWIFT RECOVERY AFTER A RECENT EYE OPERATION. AS YOU CONTINUE TO DISCHARGE YOUR ONEROUS RESPONSIBILITIES, I PRAY THAT YOU MAY BE BLESSED WITH ABUNDANT GOOD HEALTH. PLEASE ACCEPT THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."

The High Commission should be grateful if the West African Department would take urgent steps to transmit the message to its high destination.

The High Commission for the Federal Republic of Nigeria avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the West African Department of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Longon 8th September, 1983

West African Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London.