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JUNE 1, 1976

TO:

PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN

FROM: PRESIDENT FORD

DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

AS A RESULT OF COMMENTS FROM PARIS, WE HAVE REVISED THE TEXT OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MEETING IN PUERTO RICO. WE BELIEVE THIS TEXT WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS. WE CONTINUE TO PLAN FOR SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE AT 12:00 NOON, JUNE 3, IN WASHINGTON.

BEGIN TEXT

REVISED TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT

AT THE INVITATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE HEADS OF STATES AND GOVERNMENTS OF FRANCE, THE FRG, JAPAN, THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WILL MEET JUNE 27-28 AT PUERTO RICO. THESE FIVE COUNTRIES, FAVORING THE PARTICIPATION OF ITALY IN THE MEETING, WILL EXAMINE WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WHETHER THE LATTER BELIEVES IT IS ABLE TO TAKE PART ON THE DATES ENVISAGED. IN ADDITION, BECAUSE OF THE CLOSE TIES AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS INVITED CANADA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETINGS.

THE PARTICIPANTS WILL DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST INCLUDING THE PROGRESS OF THEIR ECONOMIC RECOVERIES AND THE CURRENT PHASE OF THEIR EFFORTS TO ATTAIN SUSTAINED ECONOMIC EXPANSION, FINANCIAL AND MONETARY MATTERS, TRADE, ENERGY, AND RELATIONS WITH DEVELOP-ING NATIONS.

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE RAMBOUILLET SUMMIT TO THE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS MADE IN ACHIEVING STRONG ECONOMIC RECOVERY IN THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS, IMPROVEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM AND MONETARY COOPERATION, ENSURING AN OPEN INTERNATIONAL TRADING ORDER, STRENGTHENING ENERGY COOPERATION AMONG INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS AND BUILDING A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE DEVELOPING WORLD, THE LEADERS BELIEVE THAT THIS MEETING CAN FURTHER PROGRESS IN ALL AREAS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

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