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The High Commission for the People's Republic of Bangladesh presents its compliments to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and has the honour to forward the following message from the Hon'ble President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh addressed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of the United Kingdom:

Message begins.

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter dated December 11, 1979. It was, indeed, most thoughtful of you to inform me about the progress of the talks on Zimbabwe-Rhodesia and your continuing efforts in resolving the problem. Subsequently I was pleased to learn about the agreement finally reached.

Please accept my heartiest felicitations on laying the foundation for the peaceful transfer of power and the establishment of a genuine majority rule in Zimbabwe (Southern Rhodesia). The peace loving people of the Commonwealth and indeed throughout the world appreciate your admirable far-sight and statesmanship which made this remarkable achievement possible.

We are confident that the spirit of fairness with which your government conducted the negotiations would also be reflected in the implementation of the agreement reached in London to ensure the peaceful transfer of power and the establishment of a genuine majority rule in Zimbabwe.

I wish you continued good health and success.

Ziaur Rahman

Message ends.

The High Commission would be grateful if the above message is forwarded to its highest destination.

The High Commission for Bangladesh avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office the assurances of its highest consideration.

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