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I WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY MY PLEASURE AT LEARNING FROM HER MAJESTY'S AMBASSADOR YOUR EXCELLENCY'S DECISION TO EXERCISE AN ACT OF CLEMENCY IN THE NEAR FUTURE FOR THE BRITISH MERCENARY PRISONERS. THIS HUMANITARIAN GESTURE WILL BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED NOT ONLY BY THE RELATIVES OF THE MEN CONCERNED BUT ALSO WIDELY AMONG BRITISH PARLIAMENTARIANS AND PUBLIC. ENDS.

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