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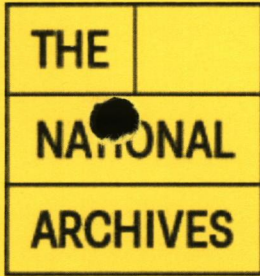
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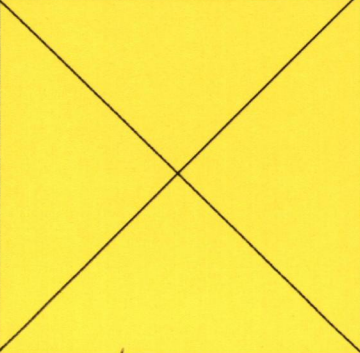
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Andrew Pinner 13/4

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Grenada presents its compliments to the Office of the British High Commission and has the honour to request the latter's assistance in transmitting the following message from the Hon. Gregory Bowen, Acting Prime Minister of Grenada, to the Hon. Tony Blair, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain.

BEGINS:

" On behalf of the Government and people of Grenada, and on my own behalf, I convey deep sadness and sincere condolences to the Government and people of Great Britain on the passing of the Hon. Bernie Grant, Labour M.P. for Tottenham. Our profound sympathy is particularly extended to the entire Grant family.

The late Bernie Grant will be remembered as a true West Indian/British champion whose unselfishness led him to advocate the cause of the Caribbean diaspora in the United Kingdom and to fight tirelessly for the less fortunate British citizens, irrespective of their race.

He was also a stalwart parliamentarian who ceaselessly urged successive governments to honour their responsibilities to provide for the underprivileged. With the passing of Bernie Grant, the United Kingdom has, indeed, lost a fearless and outstanding Member of Parliament and a truly committed and generous man."

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Gregory Bowen
ACTING PRIME MINISTER

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Grenada avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the British High Commission the assurances of its highest consideration.

St. George's, April 11, 2000





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THE PRIME MINISTER

29 January 1999

Dear Keith,

Thank you for your letter of 11 December inviting me to attend the 25th Anniversary celebrations of Grenada's Independence. I much appreciate the invitation. I regret that other commitments here prevent me attending. Please accept my warmest congratulations on this important milestone in Grenada's political development.

Please also accept my congratulations on your re-appointment as Prime Minister of Grenada, Carriacou and Petit Martinique. Your election victory was a remarkable achievement.

I look forward to continuing the close and friendly relations that exist between the United Kingdom and Grenada.

Yours ever
Tony

Dr The Honourable Keith Mitchell MP

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30 DEC 1998

PRIME MINISTER

GRENADA

FINANCIAL COMPLEX
THE CARENAGE
ST. GEORGE'S, GRENADA

December 11, 1998

cc Andrew Patrick, FLO

Hon. Tony Blair
Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
UNITED KINGDOM

Advice + PM reply pls.

Philip Barker 2/12

Dear Prime Minister,

Grenada will celebrate twenty-five years of nationhood on February 7, 1999.

Several activities have been planned to commemorate this Silver Jubilee, commencing in 1998 and leading up to the year 2000.

I have the distinct honour and privilege, on behalf of the Government of Grenada, to invite you to share in this historic event. A draft programme of activities covering the period 6th to 8th February 1999 is attached.

The Government of Grenada will provide complimentary accommodation for yourself and wife from February 6th to 8th 1999. All other arrangements will be put in place to facilitate your visit.

Please accept, dear Prime Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Sincerely,

Keith C. Mitchell
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Keith C. Mitchell
PRIME MINISTER

**25th ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE
DRAFT PROGRAMME
FEBRUARY 6-8, 1999
GRENADA**

Saturday 6th February

- 1:00 p.m. - Luncheon hosted by The President of the Senate
Rex Grenadian Hotel, Point Salines
- 7:00 p.m. - Governor General's Cocktail & Banquet
Governor General's Resident
- 10:35 p.m. - Visiting Prime Ministers arrive at Fort George
- 10:55 p.m. - Prime Minister of Grenada arrives at Fort George
- 11:00 p.m. - Governor General arrives at Fort George
- 12:00 midnight - Sound & Light Festival

Sunday 7th February

- 7:00 p.m. - Church Services
- 9:00 a.m. - Military Parade, Tanteen Recreation Grounds
- 12:00 noon - Luncheon hosted by the Prime Minister
Secret Harbour
- 2:00 p.m. - Float Parade, Queen's Park

Monday 8th February

- 2:00 p.m. - Garden Party & Fashion Show
Governor General's Residence

To papers with the
Prime Minister

Date

Prime Minister of
Grenada

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22 January 1999

Dear Jamie

Letter from the Prime Minister of Grenada

Thank you for your letter of 3 January enclosing an invitation to the Prime Minister to attend Grenada's 25th Anniversary Independence celebrations. This reply has been delayed slightly to take account of the outcome of the General Election in Grenada on 18 January.

We recommend that the Prime Minister declines Dr Mitchell's invitation. Although this is clearly an important event for the people and Government of Grenada, it does not warrant the attendance of the Prime Minister. But a letter from the Prime Minister would certainly be appropriate, and would give a lot of pleasure locally.

To the surprise of many, Prime Minister Dr Keith Mitchell's New National Party (NNP) managed to win all 15 seats on 18 January. Although the overwhelming result has raised concerns about the implications for the plurality of the Grenadan democratic process, Mitchell has given encouraging assurances that he will include trade unions and NGOs in the consultation process, particularly on issues of national importance.

... The enclosed draft includes a congratulatory message.

Yours ever

Andrew Patrick

(Andrew Patrick)
Private Secretary

Mrs J K Richards
10 Downing Street

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January 1999

Dr the Hon Keith Mitchell MP
Prime Minister
Grenada
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St George's
Grenada

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Tony Blair

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From the Assistant Private Secretary

No Ack 3 January 1999

Dear Lisa,

I enclose a copy of a letter which the Prime Minister has received from the Prime Minister of Grenada.

I should be grateful for your advice, together with a draft reply for the Prime Minister's signature, to reach this office by Tuesday 19 January.

Yours ever

Jamie Richards

MRS J K RICHARDS | PB

Ms Lisa Farrington
Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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