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Your Majesty:

During our meeting in June, Your Majesty suggested that there be established a special channel of communications so that we might be in touch on an expeditious and completely private basis on matters of importance and sensitivity. I have discussed this suggestion with Secretary Weinberger and with the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and am pleased now to proceed, with their enthusiastic approval, to implement Your Majesty's concept.

This letter will be hand-delivered to Colonel-Major Kabhaj, for transmittal to Your Majesty, by Colonel Robert J. Kee, who is reporting for duty as the new Chief of our Military Mission in Morocco. Colonel Kee has been charged, for our side, to be the intermediary in this special channel, and has been briefed concerning Your Majesty's desire to have these communications conducted on a very private basis. I am confident that you will find Colonel Kee a reliable intermediary.

May I express my continuing High Regard for Your Majesty and my hope that we may have the opportunity to meet again later in the year.

Most sincerely,

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