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ON BEHALF OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE I SEND YOU MY  
SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATH OF SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL WHO AFTER  
UNEXAMPLED SERVICES TO THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM IN THE <sup>second</sup> WORLD WAR WAS ONE  
OF THE FIRST TO CALL UPON EUROPEANS TO UNITE IN ORDER TO BE EQUAL TO  
THE DANGERS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF THE TIMES STOP WE RECALL WITH  
PRIDE THAT IT WAS SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL WHO FIRST PROPOSED THE  
CREATION OF A COUNCIL OF EUROPE IN A BROADCAST FROM LONDON IN  
1943, THAT HE WAS AMONG THE FOUNDER MEMBERS OF OUR ASSEMBLY AND  
THAT HE MADE HIS SPEECH PROPOSING THE CREATION OF A EUROPEAN  
ARMY HERE STOP WE SHARE IN THE GRIEF OF THE BRITISH PEOPLE AND  
MOURN THE LOSS OF A GREAT EUROPEAN

Pierre PFLIMLIN, PRESIDENT  
OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

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