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THE PRIME MINISTER

22 December, 1979.

Dear Mr. Ramphal,

Thank you for your kind letter of 19 December about the outcome of the Lancaster House Conference. I appreciate your letter the more in that it comes from someone whose own contribution to the success of the Conference was significant. As you say, the period ahead promises to be no less testing than that which we have just come through. Like you, I hope that the Commonwealth will have a substantial role to play in the effort to achieve the final success.

Yours sincerely,

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His Excellency Mr. Shridath S. Ramphal Kt CMG QC