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PRIME MINISTER'S
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Dear Helmut,

As always, I found our talks together on Wednesday extremely valuable. I was encouraged to find that our assessments of the present situation in the Community and of the world scene in general are so close. The outlook may not be cheerful but it is good to know that we shall be tackling the problems, both at the European Council and thereafter, on the basis of a fundamentally similar analysis.

Thank you for looking after me and my party so admirably. We all much enjoyed the Gala Lunch at the Redoute. And thank you for your gift: I am delighted with it.

I look forward to seeing you here next week and in particular to hearing about your meeting with President Brezhnev.

Yours sincerely
Margaret

His Excellency Herr Helmut Schmidt

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