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Tuesday 6th April

Dear Margaret

As I told you yesterday the only reservation in my mind about resignation was the position in which I placed you. I hope you know that I would do nothing to make a very difficult [f2] position for you more difficult. For apart from anything else I owe you a great deal. You gave me a marvellous job & backed me to the hilt. But I think I was right to go. There would have been continual pressure & such advice as I gave you would have been questioned. The party will now unite behind you as it should have done last Saturday.

It has been a crowded & enjoyable three years & the spirited debates we have sometimes had *[f3]* were productive & had no rancour.

Only one thing more. Though I have never pretended to agree with you about everything, my admiration for your courage & determination & resourcefulness is unbounded. You deserve to win through & if ever there is anything I can do to help you have only to ask.

Yours, Peter