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INDEPENDENT COMMISSION ON
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

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WILLY BRANDT
Chairman

The Rt. Hon.
Margaret Thatcher, MP
Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
10, Downing Street

London / Great Britain

Dear Prime Minister,

our "Independent Commission on International Development Issues" has finished its work after two years of intensive deliberations. A few days ago I had the privilege of handing over the first copy of our Report to UN Secretary-General Waldheim who was very appreciative of our efforts.

The British government has been so kind in 1978 to provide a substantial contribution for our work, and at this moment I feel urged to express our deepest gratitude for this support. It not only helped to secure the necessary independence of our task. We also drew encouraging comfort from the interest and general sympathy expressed by this assistance.

It is, therefore, with particular pleasure that I enclose a copy of our Report in the hope that your government may give it benevolent consideration.

I have advised our Secretariat to send you within short a statement of our accounts as accepted by our auditor, and I have also asked it to send your government some more copies of our Report.

Also on behalf of my fellow Commissioners I want to thank you once again for your important contribution to our work.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

