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Dear Mrs. Thatcher,

Warmest congratulations! It was a wonderful night for you, and for us. From now on, people other than us will be making demands on your time but I hope that from time to time my duties will bring me into touch with the Prime Minister's Office. My first request of that office -- and I promise you it will be my only one -- is simply that when you have taken office and you come to do your first television interview, later today, that you might consider my parting remark to you in your private office last September when I said that my hope was to conduct the first interview with you as Prime Minister.

It was a great ending to a wonderful campaign. And if you have the time to sit down and see all the film we have shot during the last month, we should love to show it to you.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

Michael D. Cole  
Special Correspondent/TV NEWS

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18th May 1979

Thank you very much indeed for your kind letter.

I was immensely impressed with your professional handling of the General Election campaign. Not only that, you were a friendly and helpful travelling companion during our tours of the country and I shall never forget the kindness and understanding you showed to me during those vital few weeks.

With best wishes,

And thank you for all your personal kindness and consideration.

Michael Cole Esq