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THE PRIME MINISTER

31 August, 1982.

Dear Sir Y.K.,

Thank you for your letter of 13 August with the copies of the two 'Zheng Ming' articles.

I understand the intense interest in Hong Kong in my visit to China. I am grateful to you for your views on the type of announcement which you hope could be made after my talks and for your advice on the benefit of a senior Hong Kong Government representative accompanying me in Peking. The Governor will in fact join me there. I would however be grateful if you could treat this as in confidence for the moment, as it has not yet been made public.

I appreciate the good wishes for my trip and I too look forward to our meeting in China next month.

Yours sincerely
Rajiv Gandhi

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