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7th January 1980.

The Rt. Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher,
The Prime Minister,
10 Downing Street,
LONDON S.W.1.

Dear Prime Minister,

I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the firm and bold stand taken by the British Government under your leadership against the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. The Islamic Council greatly appreciates this stand and is confident that it will help in promoting goodwill and cooperation between the United Kingdom and the Muslim World.

The Council further hopes that the strong opposition of the British Government to Soviet armed aggression in Afghanistan will find expression in equally strong practical steps in support of the Afghan people who are engaged in a life and death struggle against Soviet imperialism.

Please accept, Prime Minister, my highest regards and respect,

Salem Azzam.

Secretary - General.