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Thank you for your letter of 18 December and for your generous remarks about my part in the process of patriating the Canadian Constitution. As you know, we are not yet over the final nurdles here (and I shall be replying shortly to your further letter on this), but I do assure you that we are determined to press ahead as speedily as possible. We shall all be very pleased when Canada's Constitution is finally home. As you say we shall then be able to pay more attention to the many other aspects of relations between Canada and Britain.

It is kind of you to invite me to visit Canada. In principle I should be delighted to do so. I am afraid that there is very little space in my diary for 1982 and I had to decide some time ago that it was unlikely that I should be able to add to existing travel plans for this year. Can I suggest that I get in touch with you in due course to discuss the possibility of a visit either at the turn of the year or rather later in 1983. I very much want to take up your kind invitation but cannot yet see my way clear on dates.

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