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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Mr. President,

I am taking advantage of Paul Channon's visit to Mexico to let you know how pleased I am that you have accepted The Queen's invitation to pay a State Visit here next year. I very much look forward to meeting you then and to what I am sure will be a useful and happy occasion.

Paul Channon's visit coincides with the first meeting for several years of the Mexican-British Joint Commission. I hope that this will help to further economic and industrial co-operation between us and that we shall be able to take full advantage of the improved climate which has been created by your government's courageous and successful economic policies. I remember well the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on the establishment of the SICARTSA II steel plant programme during my visit in 1981. I look forward to the successful completion of this project and hope that it will pave the way for further British participation in Mexico's development.

I would also like to assure you of the British Government's support for the efforts which you and others are making to reach peaceful solutions to the political

problems of Central America. We shall do what we can to help, both at the meet of Foreign Ministers in San Jose and thereafter.

Yours sincerely
Raymond H. H. H.

His Excellency Mr. Miguel de la Madrid Hurtado

SECRETARY OF STATE