

SPEECH BY

THE PRIME MINISTER,

THE RT HON MARGARET THATCHER, FRS MP

TO THE

CONSERVATIVE PARTY CONFERENCE

AT

BRIGHTON

ON

FRIDAY, 12TH OCTOBER 1984

THE EVENTS OF THE EARLY HOURS OF THIS MORNING WERE  
NOT ONLY AN ASSAULT ON SOME OF OUR DEAREST  
AND CLOSEST COLLEAGUES, BUT ALSO ON THE  
BRITISH GOVERNMENT ITSELF, THE MPs WHO  
ARE ITS MAJORITY AND THE PARTY WHICH  
SUSTAINS IT.

DEEPLY WORRIED AS WE ARE, THERE WAS ONLY ONE  
RESPONSE WORTHY OF THIS NATION;  
THE CONFERENCE CARRIES ON.

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO THE  
POLICE, FIREMEN, AMBULANCEMEN, NURSES AND  
DOCTORS, TO ALL THE EMERGENCY SERVICES.

AND TO THE STAFF OF THE HOTEL WHO  
STOOD WITH US AND SHARED THE DANGER.

I WOULD LIKE, AS PRIME MINISTER, AND AS LEADER OF  
OUR PARTY, TO SEND OUR HEARTFELT  
SYMPATHY TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED.