



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

17 October 1984

My dear Archbishop,

Thank you so much for your message following the bomb outrage in Brighton, and also for your personal good wishes.

The last months have indeed been a strain, and there is more to come.

I shall be very thankful if we can secure total condemnation of violence and if support can be withdrawn for all who use it as a means to secure

His Grace the Lord Archbishop of York

their particular objectives.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

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Dear Prime Minister

Please accept my warmest sympathy to yourself and your colleagues in face of the outrage committed in Brighton this morning.

It is a sad day for Britain when our political leaders are subjected to this kind of attack. I want to assure you not only of my prayers and the prayers of Christian people throughout the land, but also of our utter condemnation of such violence and of our commitment to the rule of law and of parliamentary democracy.

May I add on a more personal note that I am very conscious of the strains which you yourself have been bearing in recent weeks, and I want to assure you that there is within the Church a genuine desire to help in face of the problems which confront us all as a nation.

With kind regards.

Yours very sincerely

*John Chav:*

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