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My Dear Margaret

I enjoyed our discussions the other day. It was very good to see you again.

Thank you for being so understanding about my not being able to attend the Blackpool Conference.

May I say that I feel for you during the difficult times which Britain is experiencing at the moment. I have met a number of people who have great respect for your courage and determination. If the attitude of an outsider means anything, I am sure there is no other path for Britain than the one on which it is embarked.

My best wishes and I look forward to seeing you very much in Melbourne.

*Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher*

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