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10 DOWNING STREET

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THE PRIME MINISTER

Dear Group Captain Whittaker,

I am writing to thank you for the arrangements which you and your staff made for me both at Aldergrove and in providing the helicopter transport which enabled me to carry out my programme in Northern Ireland on Wednesday. I know that the weather caused problems particularly for our arrival at Aldergrove: I am very grateful for the efforts made to clear the runway and for the professionalism with which the helicopters were flown. My husband joins me in sending you and all at Aldergrove our best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

Group Captain David Whittaker,

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