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20 October 1983

Dear Prime Minister

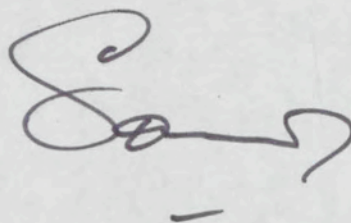
I have pleasure in sending you my Report covering the work of the Secretariat in the past two years. *see attached folder*

In the Introduction to the Report, issued as a separate document, I have attempted to reflect on the global setting as we approach the November meeting of Heads of Government in New Delhi, and on the part the Commonwealth may play as a part of the international community in meeting the challenges that confront the world at this troubled time.

I hope you will find the Report useful in preparation for the meeting in New Delhi.

The Report will be publicly released on 10 November.

With deep respect.



Shridath S. Ramphal

The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP
Prime Minister of Britain
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From the Private Secretary

24 October 1983

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of 20 October enclosing your report on the work of the Commonwealth Secretariat in the past two years. The Prime Minister will read this with interest.

A. J. COLES

His Excellency Mr. Shridath Surendranath Ramphal,
A.C., Kt., C.M.G., Q.C.



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From the Private Secretary

24 October 1983

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You should know that the Commonwealth Secretary-General has sent to the Prime Minister his report entitled "A healing touch" covering the work of the Commonwealth Secretariat in the past two years. You will doubtless be covering this in the briefing for New Delhi.

CB

Incidentally, we have heard by a roundabout route that Mr. Ramphal is hoping to see the Prime Minister once more before CHOGM. I should be grateful to know whether the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary considers it desirable that Mrs. Thatcher should receive Mr. Ramphal again.

A. J. COLES

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