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THE PRIME MINISTER

5th May, 1982

Dear Harold.

Thank you so much for your letter of 30th April.

Your letter was written last Friday. It has a prophetic quality.

Your support means a great deal to me.

Thank you for having taken the trouble to write.

Yours
Raymond

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Re Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher M.P.

Dear Margaret

Now that we approach the council I felt that I must write at once all possible success to you. Our thoughts & prayers are with you.

Just two points if I may -

- ① I am so glad that you are willing to play the U.N. card. It may not be worth a great deal internationally at this point, but it will help to damp down the hysteria that may yet arise in the House once the committee start.
- ② As his President I got Crosby a unanimous vote of confidence from the Working Conservative Association after warning them that they must be prepared to stand behind the government in far rougher times ahead. I hope that this sort of thing is happening all over the country, we are going to need a lot of loyal grass roots support before this is all over. Our people must be prepared now.

Once again my best wishes and all possible
good fortune to you

J -
Ansel
