

Dear Mrs Thatcher,

After more than a decade of working for you in the councils of Europe, we should like to express our appreciation of the confidence you have always shown in the Commission's interpreting service.

On a more personal note, may we say that we derived enormous pleasure and enjoyment from being both spectators and players during your many memorable innings.

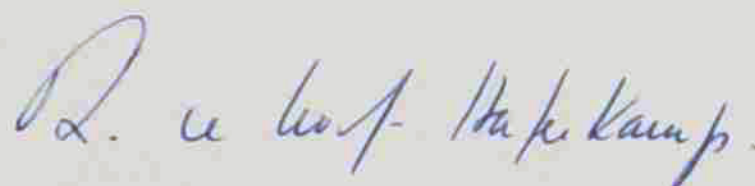
We shall greatly miss your responsiveness, consideration and unflagging energy.

On behalf of all the interpreting staff, we wish you the very best for the future.

Yours sincerely,



Dick FLEMING
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