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The Right Honorable
Margaret Thatcher, M.P.
Prime Minister
United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland

Dear Madam Prime Minister:

I have been monitoring the recent developments in Anglo-Irish relations with great interest. You and Irish Taoiseach Garret Fitzgerald are to be congratulated for co-authoring the recent historic agreement between your two countries. Although no one can reasonably expect an instant reconciliation between the Nationalist and Unionist communities in Northern Ireland, the establishment of an Intergovernmental Conference is a significant, bold step in the right direction. It is a beacon of hope to all those who seek a fair and peaceful resolution to the conflict.

Respectfully,

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United States Senator