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10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

19 November 1985

*Dear Terry,*

Thank you for your letter of 17 November.  
It was kind of you to write about Ireland.

I am much looking forward to meeting Olwen  
Carey Evans at the 250th Anniversary Dinner.

*Yours*

*Rayner*

The Rt. Hon. Jeremy Thorpe

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Personal

FROM: The Rt. Hon. JEREMY THORPE

November 17, 1985

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Dear Prime Minister,

Forgive a hand written note.  
May I be allowed to send warmest congratulations  
and good wishes on your Smith initiative? The  
Agreement is as imaginative as it is courageous.  
If you can succeed in pacifying Ireland you  
will have won a prize which has eluded every  
British Prime Minister for the past 50 years  
- Some would say 100 years!

Since I am writing may I say how  
happy I am that you are going to entertain  
Oliver Lang Evans next month. She is an  
"honorary" Aunt (as was Margaret) & I will  
find her a fascinating little bit of history.  
I was at her 90th birthday celebrations  
which fell on the day of the Falklands  
invasion. She immediately remarked "This  
reminds me of Agadir in 1912!" She went with  
Liz to the Lord Mayor's Banquet, when he  
made the speech, which he first delivered  
with Asquith at No 10, warning the Germans  
that if they landed on the N African coast  
it would be treated as an act of war.  
She remembers the 1909 Budget, the passage  
of the 1911 National Insurance Act, & signed  
the Armistice in 1918 from within No 10.

No reply of course.

Yours very sincerely

Jeremy Thorpe