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THE PRIME MINISTER

28 March, 1988.

Dear General Jaruzelski,

As you know, the Moscow summit has now been arranged for 29 May - 2 June. With real regret, I have decided that in view of this, and of President Reagan's planned visit to London on his way back to Washington, I shall not be able to go ahead with my visit to Poland on 29-31 May.

I am extremely sorry that this postponement has become necessary. It seems to me important that my visit should take place at a time when it will have the fullest international impact, in the interests of both our Governments. If by any chance it were to be convenient for you, I could manage 6-7 June, that is exactly a week later than the dates we had agreed. But I realise that this may well not be possible for you at short notice, in which case we should need to look for dates rather later in the year.

Meanwhile, I continue to look forward greatly to coming to Poland, and send you my best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency General Wojciech Jaruzelski