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From the Private Secretary

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Dear Prime Minister

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Just to say that you were magnificent yesterday, in the House & out of it.

Those of us who have been fortunate to work with you never doubted your courage. But yesterday showed a level of greatness which will not be matched in Britain's politics again.

There are comparisons in the press to some of the great Athenian tragedies, such as the striking down of Themistocles. But they are wrong. The greatest leaders of Athens were struck down by the Assembly: but you struck them down. Every one



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of the small men who contrived their petty coup will go with shame in their hearts for the rest of their lives. Once again you demonstrated the unbridgeable gulf between greatness and mediocrity. The rest of us can only look on in awe. And for those of us to whom history means something, there was the unforgettable experience of recognising & witnessing the parliamentary equal of Pitt, Gladstone & Churchill. Whatever it must have cost you, it was worth it for the rest of us who believe in you & everything for which you stand.



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I can't remember who wrote that "the sense of greatness keeps a nation great". You have given us the sense of greatness & that is Britain's best hope.

I don't suppose the next few days will be easy: but <u>please</u> look to us for any help we can give. Carla sends undying love to you <u>both</u>,

Yours

Charles

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