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From the Private Secretary

20 December 1983

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you most warmly for your letter of 19 December referring to the relationship between our two countries and extending your best wishes for a happy New Year.

Mrs. Thatcher has asked me to state in reply that she continues to attach the greatest importance to a close and friendly relationship with Yugoslavia and in that context recalls with pleasure the recent visit to London of the President of the Federal Executive Council, Mrs. M. Planinc.

The Prime Minister sends to you her best wishes for 1984.

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His Excellency Monsieur Dragi Stamenkovic

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YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR

London, 19 December 1983

Dear Prime Minister,

The forthcoming festivities provide me with an opportunity to address you in this way and to note with gratification that the year which is coming to its close has been a fruitful one in the relations between our two countries. I would like particularly to single out the successful visit to London - in return to your visit to Belgrade in 1980 - of our President of the Federal Executive Council Mrs. M. Planinc, which has given a fresh impetus to our traditionally friendly relations and co-operation.

Confident that the existing friendship and co-operation will be maintained and further promoted, may I extend to you my best wishes for a Happy New Year, good health and much success in your highly responsible work.

Please accept, dear Prime Minister, the assurances of my highest consideration.

The Rt. Hon.
Margaret Thatcher
Prime Minister of
the United Kingdom of
Great Britain and
Northern Ireland
London

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