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THE PRIME MINISTER

14 January 1981

Dear Christopher,

Thank you for your note of 11 January. I was glad to learn that you think matters have turned out satisfactorily. I am sure you are right to say that the important thing now is to get on with the work. You will have plenty of it!

I look forward to seeing you when our people have fixed a mutually convenient time.

Yours

Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Mr. Christopher Tugendhat

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January 11, 1981

My dear Prime Minister

I want to thank you for your intervention with Gordon Thorne over the allocation of Commission portfolios. I would not normally have got onto you, but in the circumstances I am sure it was the right thing to do.

I am satisfied that my position has been safeguarded. But dangers remain and I shall be very much on my guard. Feathers have also been ruffled. That was necessary to achieve

the objective and will I hope act as a
determinant for the future. What is now
needed is to get on with the work.

I should very much like to come
and see you to talk about that and
some other matters quite soon. I will
ask my people to be in touch with
yours.

With best wishes

Yours ever
Christopher