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THE PRIME MINISTER

23 March, 1983

Dear Sir Adam.

Thank you for your letter of 15 March. I share your concern about the potentially serious damage to your interests, and indeed Government interests, posed by current and possible future action under United States anti-trust laws.

Francis Pym has sent a personal message of concern to Mr. Shultz; and your legal advisers will doubtless have told you that the Attorney General has written to the judge here offering to give assistance to the Court if required.

Arthur Cockfield in particular is keeping a close watch on the position as it develops. We are doing all we can to help.

Yours sincerely
Raymond Shulman

Sir Adam Thomson, CBE.,

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From the Private Secretary

23 March, 1983

BRITISH CALEDONIAN

As you will have seen, the Prime Minister has written to Sir Adam Thomson on the lines you suggested; and she has noted the efforts which are being made in support of British Caledonian, as set out in your letter of 18 March to Willie Rickett.

The Prime Minister has further commented that British Caledonian are in a very serious situation; and that we must do everything possible to help.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Roger Bone (FCO), and to Henry Steel (Attorney General's Office).

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