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THE PRIME MINISTER

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My dear Prime Minister,

No words can adequately express the horror and revulsion which I and millions of British people felt at the scenes of violence which we witnessed at last night's European Cup Final in Brussels. These terrible events have brought shame and disgrace on those responsible and on their country. They should never have happened. On behalf of Her Majesty's Government I should like to express my deepest sympathy to the families of all the victims. I feel certain you will be setting up a disaster fund for those families. I know it would be the desire and expectation of the British people that we should contribute to it. I am immediately making available £250,000 as an initial contribution.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Onorevole Bettino Craxi.

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