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10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

20 November, 1985

Dear Mr. Lougheed,

Thank you so much for your letter which you sent on the eve of your retirement from the office of Premier. I was very pleased to be able to send a message to the commemorative dinner in your honour in Edmonton on 11 October congratulating you on so many successful and productive years in office. I wish you a very happy return to private life and thank you once again for receiving me so hospitably in Alberta during my visit to Canada.

Warm regards,

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Mr. P. Lougheed.

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Peter Longfield
c/o Premier's Office
Alberta

[NB. He's no
longer Premier]

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

18 November 1985

Dear Charles,

Letter to the Prime Minister from the Former Premier
of Alberta

Your letter of 11 November asked if there were any particular points to be taken into account in replying to Mr Lougheed's letter.

One slightly awkward point is that Lougheed makes no mention of the fact that the Prime Minister sent him a message on his retirement as Premier (copy attached). We have checked with the High Commission that the message was indeed delivered to Lougheed's office. Lougheed's letter is all too clearly part of a round robin operation. A similar letter was received by Sir D Day.

Your reply might include a passing reference to the Prime Minister's message.

Yours ever,

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