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Dear Preme Ministe, CDP 14/1

As you may recall from other correspondence, my posting to London is coming to an end. I will be leaving on 21 February.

For me the last three years have been some of the most satisfying of my career, both personally and professionally. I shall leave convinced more than ever of the enduring nature and importance to Australia of its relationship with Britain. This will be the main thrust of the advice I will be giving to Australian Ministers on my return.

In the meantime, and providing your other commitments permit, I would like very much the opportunity to make a final call on you. I hope this can be fitted in to your diary.

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