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From the Private Secretary

7 October 1987

I enclose a copy of a message to the Prime Minister from the Australian Prime Minister, inviting her to visit Australia during the bicentennial celebrations next year. You will wish to take account of this in the brief for the Prime Minister's meeting with Mr Hawke in Vancouver, and we shall need a draft reply in due course.

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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

My dear Prine minister,

I have been asked to pass to you the following text of a message from the Australian Prime Minister, the Hon R J L Hawke, AC,

Message begins:

My dear Prime Minister

Australia and the United Kingdom share, through our respective histories, a heritage which has shaped our societies and will largely determine our future directions.

It therefore gives me pleasure to extend to you an invitation to visit Australia during 1988, our bicentennial year. It is a year of special significance to us being celebrated by a wide range of national and international activities.

One particularly important event scheduled for next year is World Expo '88, which is to take place in Brisbane, Queensland from 30 April to 30 October 1988. The Government and people of Australia will be host nation for Expo '88, the first to be held in the southern hemisphere this century. You may want to consider coming during British Week at Expo in August.

I hope that you will be able to visit during our bicentennial year and celebrate with us this anniversary in Australia's history.

Yours sincerely

Bob Hawke

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The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury 10 Downing Street London SWIA 2AA

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26 August 1987

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My dear Prime Minister,

I have been asked to pass to you the following text of a message from the Australian Prime Minister, The Hon. R. J. L. Hawke:

Message Begins

Dear Margaret

Thank you for your message of congratulations on the return of the Labor Government. I wholeheartedly share your view of the merits of third terms.

The special links between Australia and Britain will be very much in our minds as we approach 1988.

I look forward to seeing you again in Vancouver.

With best wishes,

Bob Hawke

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Yours sincerely,

(Douglas McClelland)

The Rt Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury Downing Street LONDON

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