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Prime Minister

Dear Charles,

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Chilean Earthquake

On 7 March the Prime Minister sent a message to President Pinochet conveying her sympathy following the recent earthquake in Chile.

You may be interested to see the enclosed Note from the Chilean MFA recording President Pinochet's response.

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Yours ever,  
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I have the honour to acknowledge your Excellency's Note of 8 March transmitting the British Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher's message to the President of the Republic conveying her sympathy following the distressing consequences of the earthquake which recently affected our country and offering the generous help of her Government to those affected.

By special order, his Excellency the President of the Republic, asks that your Excellency transmit to her Excellency Mrs Margaret Thatcher the sincere gratitude of the people and Government of Chile for this noble expression of solidarity.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Santiago

14 March 1985