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THE PRIME MINISTER

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My dear Ambassador,

I am most grateful to you and members of your staff, as well as the staff of the Consulate in Lille, for their help with the arrangements for the meeting in Lille yesterday to announce the choice of project for the Channel Fixed Link. I am sure that it was right to make this into a major occasion and underline the wider significance of the decision to go ahead with a Link.

Please pass on my thanks to your staff for all they did to make the occasion a success.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Sir John Fretwell, K.C.M.G.

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