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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Fitzroy

Thank you very much for sending me your piece on the Soviet Union. It is very useful indeed to have this before my visit. As you can imagine, I am looking forward to it enormously. There seems little doubt that Mr. Gorbachev wants to change things. My talks with him will be a chance to make a first-hand assessment of his prospects.

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Dear Prime Minister.

Having known the Soviet Union for the last fifty years and spent much of the past two or three there, working on a major TV series and seeing quite a lot of interesting people, I thought it might amuse you, if you have a few minutes, to glance at the enclosed Epilogue of my latest book, Portrait of the U.S.S.R., now on its way to the printer. (I will send you a proper copy when it is ready!)

With every good wish for a most successful trip

Yours ever Fitzroy.

The Rt. Hon. Mrs Margaret Thatcher MP