



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Mr. Cherkezia,

My visit to Georgia and your capital of Tbilisi was one of the highlights of my visit to the Soviet Union and I write to express my warmest thanks to you and your colleagues for having arranged such a full and interesting programme for me. I was most impressed by what I saw and by the friendly reception which I received from the people of your city. And I particularly enjoyed the chance to talk to you and hear both about the achievements and problems of your Republic.

I am sorry that we had to leave before the end of the dinner but we were there long enough for me to testify to the renowned excellence and warmth of Georgia's hospitality.

I hope that you will visit us in the United Kingdom and look forward to seeing you when you do. In the meantime, I should be most grateful if you would pass on my thanks to all those associated with my visit on what was a very happy day.

With warm good wishes,

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Mr. O. E. Cherkezia

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