

The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP Prime Minister 10 Downing Street

12 October 1988

Dear Prime Minister.

Mrs. R. Gorbacheva asked me to convey to you her sincere gratitude for the letter, which you sent to her with the Secretary of State Mr. K. Baker.

Mrs. R. Gorbacheva interpreted it as a sign of personal respect and she thanks you very much.

Mrs. R. Gorbacheva asked me to convey to you that she is pleased to see useful contacts between our countries in different aspects of material and spiritual culture being developed more actively. She believes it's wonderful. It inspires optimism, belief in future, promotes mutual understanding and trust between peoples of our two countries.

Mrs. R. Gorbacheva hopes to have a new meeting with you Mrs. Prime Minister, in near future.

Mr. M. Gorbachev and Mrs. R. Gorbacheva send you and Mr. Denis Thatcher their kindest and most sincere wishes.

Yours truly,

L. Zamyatin

USSR Ambassador

## PRIME MINISTER

I attach a message to you from Mrs. Gorbachev, given to me by the Soviet Ambassador last night. He asked me to draw your attention to Mrs. Gorbachev's hope that she will be able to meet you "in the near future".

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C. D. POWELL

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