Dear Mr. Younger, On behalf of the Soviet Military delegation please accept my best thanks for the warm and hearty welcome you gave the delegation during the official visit to Great Britain. Would you be kind enough to convey my thanks to Prime Minister Mrs. Thatcher for her great consideration and interesting talk. I hope that our acquaintance with new Secretary of State for Defence Mr. King will be continued and we will have another opportunity to exchange our views on a wide range of issues. We are confident that meetings and talks that we had during the visit will further mutual understanding and confidence between the USSR and Great Britain and their Armed Forces. My wife joins me in sending our best regards and wishes of good health and happiness both to you and to Mrs. Younger. Sincerely yours, D. Yazov General of the Army Minister of Defence of the USSR



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Dear Challes,

## MESSAGE FROM SOVIET DEFENCE MINISTER

I attach a copy of a message to Mr Younger from General Yazov, the Soviet Defence Minister.

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Private Secretary