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*From the Private Secretary*

11 June 1990

*Dear Stephen,*

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION

I enclose a first wave of the Prime Minister's thank you letters for her visit to the Soviet Union. I should be grateful if you could arrange for the texts to be sent by telegram for delivery as soon as possible, with the originals to follow by bag.

*Yours sincerely,  
C. D. Powell*

C. D. POWELL

J.S. Wall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 June 1990

*Dear Ambassador,*

Thank you very much for all your kind help and support during my visit to the Soviet Union. I thoroughly enjoyed it, and valued my discussions with President Gorbachev. I am most grateful, also, to the officials in the Ukraine and Armenia who went to so much trouble over my visit to the two Republics.

I hope you will get a few days rest - and that your granddaughter will enjoy her stay in Britain.

*Yours sincerely*

*Margaret Thatcher*

His Excellency Mr. Leonid M. Zamyatin

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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 June 1990

Dear Mr. Laverov,

It was most kind and courteous of you to accompany me throughout my visit to the Ukraine and Armenia, and I very much enjoyed your company. The programme was hectic but full of interest, and I was overwhelmed by the warm reception from the people in both Kiev and Leninakan. I believe the visit has helped to strengthen further the relations between Britain and the Soviet Union, and you have contributed most notably to that.

May I thank you once more - and I hope that you will come and see me when you visit London.

Yours sincerely

Rajiv Gandhi

His Excellency Mr. N.P. Laverov

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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 June 1990

Dear Mr. Markariants,

I wanted to write without delay to thank you, your colleagues and all the people of Leninakan for the wonderfully enthusiastic and generous welcome which I received on my visit yesterday. I am sure that you are in no doubt about the strong sympathy felt in Britain for the people of Armenia following the great tragedy of the earthquake, and our desire to help in every possible way. That spirit was reciprocated in the warmest and most human way by the people of Leninakan yesterday, and their response will have been felt and appreciated by everyone in the United Kingdom.

It was particularly kind of you to accompany me throughout the visit and to present me with such generous gifts, which will be treasured. May I also ask you to thank all those concerned with the arrangements for the visit for their work - which in some cases had to be quite energetic!

We shall always remember Leninakan and the school, and will take a close interest in its future. My husband joins me in sending you warm thanks and good wishes.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Mr. V. Markariants



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THE PRIME MINISTER

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*Yevhen Nason.*

I am most grateful for the very warm hospitality which you extended to us all during my visit to the Ukraine. One feels immediately all the great history of Kiev and of the Ukrainian people, and we were able to see how much has been done to restore your historic buildings to their full beauty and magnificence.

You were immensely generous in the amount of time which you devoted to the visit and I am most grateful for that, as well as for the tremendous hospitality which the Ukraine has extended to all those from Britain involved in the British Days. I hope very much that many more links will grow out of the contacts established over the past weeks and that Britain will play an important part in Ukraine's future development.

As a parliamentarian, it was a particular honour and privilege to be invited to address the Supreme Soviet of the Ukraine and take questions. There is no doubt about the vitality of the political life which is developing.

Finally, may I ask you to convey my gratitude to all those concerned with the arrangements for my visit for their excellent work. And thank you particularly for your very kind and generous gifts.

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My husband joins me in sending you and Mrs. Masol every good wish.

Yours sincerely

Rogers Dalton

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Mr. V.A. Masol



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13 June 1990

Dear Mr Petrosian

The Prime Minister has asked me to write and thank you for the lovely painting entitled 'Hayravank' which she received in Armenia.

Mrs Thatcher very much enjoyed her visit and was particularly touched by the warmth of the welcome she received in Armenia. She has asked me to pass on her best wishes to you and all the people she met during her visit.

Yours sincerely

*Elizabeth McCrossan*

Elizabeth McCrossan

Mr Andranik Akopovich Petrosian

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10 June 1990

I am writing on behalf of the Prime Minister to thank you very much indeed for the lovely gift of the microscope with a ballet dancer. Your work is truly remarkable and it was very kind of you to give this to Mrs. Thatcher. She very much enjoyed her visit to Leninakan and was touched by the warm welcome she received from the people.

If there is any opportunity for you to exhibit your works in Great Britain we will certainly be in touch. Once again, thank you very much for the gift.

SUZANNE WEBB

Mr. Albert Hovhannisian



Kirovakan, 10th of June 1990

MRS. MARGARET THATCHER  
PRIME MINISTER OF GREAT BRITAIN

Dear Mrs. Prime Minister,

I am a trainer of boxe. But when I got into the magic world of micro-sculpture, I couldn't do without it and I devoted myself to it. Now I have got more than 30 works of micro-sculpture, which I desire seeing exhibited in Britain, thus to enable myself to help the orphans here in Armenia with the percentage of the exhibition's income.

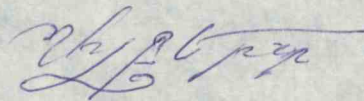
Let me inform You that I had to come to Leninakan to see You closer and feel the characters of Your sympathetic face, because I have already begun working, making Your sculpture in gold, which will be 1000 times smaller than the rice.

If the opportunity of being invited to Great Britain to exhibit my works will be granted to me, it will be the happiest event in my life. I have also in mind to create a masterpiece dedicated to all the Kings and Queens of England. This is one of my aims too.

Dear Mrs. Thatcher,

I humbly ask You to accept this gift - The Ballet Dancer, made of gold and put at the very edge of human hair (in 1990). This is the only thing now that I can do to express my gratitude to You and the British People for the everyday great help done for my people.

With best regards,  
Sincerelly Yours



My address is:

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