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Dear Charles,

Re-Election of Mr Gorbachev

As the Prime Minister has sent a message of congratulations to Vladimir Ivashko on his election as Deputy General Secretary, you may want to consider a message to Mr Gorbachev on his re-election as General Secretary. I enclose a draft.

You may, however, feel that this is now rather old news, and overtaken by this week's German-Russian agreement, on which the Prime Minister has already congratulated President Gorbachev.

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RE-ELECTION OF MR GORBACHEV AS GENERAL SECRETARY

1. Please pass the following message from the Prime Minister to
Mr Gorbachev. Signed original follows by bag.

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Dear Mr Gorbachev

I send you my warm congratulations on your re-election as General Secretary. I am sure that this will strengthen the cause of reform which, as you know, has my full and contuining support.

With my best wishes Yours sincerely Margaret Thatcher Ends

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