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PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
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THE PRIME MINISTER

8 May 1986

Dear Mr. President,

My visit to the Republic of Korea has left a deep impression: of energy and initiative combining to produce remarkable economic achievements; of sturdy determination to stand firm against the threat of Communist aggression from the North; and of patient efforts to make progress towards the full implementation of democratic values. I am most grateful to you for giving me this opportunity by your kind invitation to see so much of your country and also to continue the very interesting talks which we had when you came to London. I was shown every conceivable courtesy during my visit and the organisation was superb.

May I also thank you and Mrs. Chun most warmly for your magnificent gifts which will be a very happy reminder of a successful visit.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Mr. Chun Doo Hwan

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THE PRIME MINISTER

8 May 1986

Dear Prime Minister,

I wanted to let you know immediately on my return home to London how very deeply impressed I was by my visit to the Republic of Korea and by your country's remarkable economic achievements. Our talks were a most useful opportunity to deal with a number of matters in our bilateral relations, which I hope we can follow up. For my part, I shall ensure that the further mission which your Minister of Trade will lead to the United Kingdom in September is given every facility.

I am also most grateful for the kind hospitality which you extended to me and for the most thoughtful gifts. I shall particularly remember the very cheerful lunch which you hosted in my honour.

May I ask you to convey also my thanks and appreciation to all those involved with the planning of the programme for my visit which enabled me to see and learn so much in such a short time.

With best wishes to you and your wife,

Yours sincerely

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His Excellency Mr. Lho Shin Yong

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THE PRIME MINISTER

9 May 1986

Dear Ambassador Chul,

I am very grateful to you for arranging the dignified ceremony at the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Pusan last week, which allowed me to pay my respects to those who died in the Korean War and to visit the graves of the British war dead. I found it a very moving experience. May I also congratulate you upon the way in which the cemetery is maintained, as an oasis of peace and serenity, truly a fitting last resting place for so many brave men.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

Ambassador Chul Soon Moon.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

8 May 1986

*Dear Mr. Lee*

You were most kind to devote so much of your time to accompanying me during my visit to the Republic of Korea. Looking back on it, it seems incredible how much we managed to pack into a very short time. But I have returned home deeply impressed by the achievements of Korea and more determined than ever to see relations between our two countries develop. Your kindness and consideration were a tremendous help in enabling me to carry out such a full programme and I send you my warm thanks.

With best wishes,

*Yours sincerely*  
*Margaret Thatcher*

His Excellency Mr. Lee Won Kyung

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THE PRIME MINISTER

9 May 1986

Dear Mr. Ahn,

I found my visit to Posco's works in Pohang last week of the greatest interest. The scale and efficiency of the operation are breathtaking, and a tribute to the spirit of enterprise and initiative which flourishes in your country. I am proud that British firms have had a part in your success and hope that their association with your company will continue.

I was delighted to have the picture with which you so kindly presented me, and which will be a reminder of a memorable occasion.

Please convey my warm thanks also to all members of your staff concerned with the organisation of my visit.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

Mr. Ahn Byong-Wha



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THE PRIME MINISTER

9 May 1986

Dear Mr. Kim,

I was most grateful to you for showing me the site of the Pohang Institute of Science and Technology during my recent visit to Korea. It is indeed a most impressive undertaking, reflecting boldness and imagination of a high degree. I was very interested to be able to hear something of your plans and send you my best wishes for the success of the Institute.

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

Dr Kim Hogil.



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THE PRIME MINISTER

8 May 1986

Dear Mr. Spreckley,

I am most grateful for the tremendous amount of work which you and your staff put into making my visit to Korea so interesting and worthwhile. The programme was very full but you made every minute count and I returned home feeling that we had been able to make a real impact as well as learn a great deal. The thorough and knowledgeable briefing which you provided for me on the night I arrived was very helpful.

Please also thank your wife for her very kind hospitality not only to me but to the members of the No.10 staff who were based in the Residence.

With best wishes in your new post,

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

J.N.T. Spreckley, Esq., C.M.G.

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1. WE WOULD SUGGEST THE PRIME MINISTER SIGNS LETTERS OF THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ (1) H E CHUN DOO HWAN, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.
- ✓ (2) H E SHINYONG LHO, PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA.
- ✓ (3) GENERAL WILLIAM J. LIVSEY, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, UNITED NATIONS COMMAND, KOREA.
- ✓ (4) DR. KIM HOGIL, PRESIDENT, POHANG INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (POSTECH)
- ✓ (5) MR. AHN BYONG-WHA, PRESIDENT, POHANG IRON AND STEEL COMPANY LTD (POSCO).
- ✓ (6) AMBASSADOR CHUL SOON MOON, CUSTODIAN, OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS MEMORIAL CEMETERY IN KOREA, 779, DAEYON-DONG, KAM-KU, PUSAN.

2. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE PRIME MINISTER'S CHIEF PRESS SECRETARY WRITES A LETTER OF THANKS TO MR. LEE WOONG-HUI, PRESIDENT, KOREA PRESS CENTRE, SEOUL.

3. IT WOULD BE BEST IF ALL LETTERS WERE SENT TO US BY BAG, FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION.

SPRECKLEY.

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*From the Private Secretary*

14 May 1986

The Prime Minister has asked me to write to thank you for your generosity in donating the advanced equipment which she presented to the Pohang Institute of Technology on 4 May during her recent visit to Korea. The IMS D 700 transputer development system was very well received and, as I believe you know, was something the Institute particularly wanted.

Naturally we hope that this gift will help your company attract further orders. In making the presentation the Prime Minister had very much in mind the need to make people around the world aware how advanced Britain is technologically and to demonstrate how much our country has to offer. The Prime Minister was delighted to use your system to help make this vital point.

(CHARLES POWELL)

Ian Barron, Esq.

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

14 May 1986

Dear Charles

Prime Minister's Visit to Korea, 2-4 May: Presentation of  
INMOS Transputer to Postech

Following your letter of 23 April, as you know, we arranged for an IMS D 700 transputer development system to be available for the Prime Minister to present to the Pohang Institute of Technology during her recent visit to Korea. As the equipment was donated free of charge by INMOS following a personal approach to Mr Ian Barron, we believe that it would be appropriate for you or one of your colleagues to send a letter of thanks on the Prime Minister's behalf to Mr Barron. I enclose a draft.

Yours ever

(R N Culshaw)  
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq  
10 Downing Street

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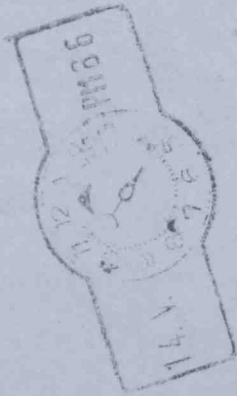
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Enclosures—flag(s).....

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CHARLES

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE BORDER AREA ON  
3 MAY

Major Carr will draft all the thank you letters for today's trip. At the moment he is finding it difficult to discover correct names and it is vitally important that names are correct rather than to know what people actually did today.

He will have the drafts sent to us by Wednesday and then we can type them up for the Prime Minister's signature.

Two gifts (memo pads) will be given to

General Lim, Commander of the 25th  
Infantry Division of the ROK Army

Commander Paju Gun

*Lillian*

3 May 1986