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The Rt. Hon. Margaret Thatcher, PC, MP,
10 Downing Street, S.W.1.

Dear Mrs Thatcher,

This is a simple note of thanks and congratulations. It would be impertinent of me to suggest that I expected a "fudged" or at any rate less than positive answer to the question put to you by the Hon. Member for Hartlepool, Mr. Ted Leadbitter, on Thursday, November 13th. Fingers crossed, I hoped for the truth - and the nation got it, I (the writer of that notorious book) with all the rest.

May I just say, tired as I am, how greatly I admire your courage, consistency, and sensible order of priorities, even on a day dolorous for its bad economic news. As you will have noticed, I type my own letters and am an imperfect typist. Had I been less put upon, I should certainly have written before now. I expect no reply or acknowledgement but cannot refrain from saying "Mille mercis - de tout coeur".

Yours very sincerely,

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