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THE PRIME MINISTER

24 March 1987

Dear Helmut.

I found our meeting yesterday a very valuable part of my preparations for Moscow and am most grateful to you for finding the time to see me. It was very reassuring to discover once again how close our thinking is on all the main issues, and I shall be much reinforced by this in my talks with Mr. Gorbachev. I should like to see our two offices follow up the proposals which you made for further confidential contacts between us on the issues raised by an INF agreement.

May I ask you to convey my gratitude to all those who were involved in the arrangements for my brief visit.

Yours ever

Raymond

His Excellency Dr. Helmut Kohl

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Duty Clerk



With the compliments of

Russell Dixon

Assistant

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

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PRIME MINISTER'S MEETING WITH KOHL, 23 MARCH

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER
TO CHANCELLOR KOHL:

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WITH MR GORBACHEV. I SHOULD LIKE TO SEE OUR TWO OFFICES FOLLOW
UP THE PROPOSALS WHICH YOU MADE FOR FURTHER CONFIDENTIAL CONTACTS
BETWEEN US ON THE ISSUES RAISED BY AN INF AGREEMENT.
MAY I ASK YOU TO CONVEY MY GRATITUDE TO ALL THOSE WHO WERE
INVOLVED IN THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR MY BRIEF VISIT.
YOURS EVER, MARGARET.

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