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THE PRIME MINISTER

27 December 1989

Dear Helmut,

Thank you very much for your kind gift of wine for Christmas which I very much appreciate.

I share your view that 1989 has been a year of exceptional change and promise. I hope that it heralds a decade in which democracy and enterprise will spread throughout the countries of Eastern Europe, bringing with it prosperity and a better life. The best guarantee for that will be that we in the West should stay true to the principles, the Alliances and the policies which have brought us success. I know that you share this view and hope that 1990 will see the excellent co-operation between Britain and Germany continue.

I send you and your wife every good wish for the New Year.

Kind regards,

Yours ever

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His Excellency Dr. Helmut Kohl