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THE HIGH COMMISSIONER

**PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
SERIAL No. T 49/80**

6 March 1980

Dear Mr Alexander,

I have been asked by the Australian Prime Minister, the Rt Hon. Malcolm Fraser, to convey the attached text of a letter of 5 March from him to your Prime Minister, the Rt Hon. Margaret Thatcher.

I should be grateful if you could bring this letter to Mrs Thatcher's attention as soon as possible. I shall pass the original to you when it arrives.

Yours sincerely,

(R.R. Fernandez)

Mr Michael Alexander,
Private Secretary (Overseas Affairs)
to the Prime Minister,
Prime Minister's Office,
10 Downing Street,
LONDON SW1.

Text of a Letter of 5 March from the
Prime Minister of Australia, the Rt Hon.
Malcolm Fraser, to the Rt Hon. Margaret
Thatcher, Prime Minister

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Begins:

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Because of the foregoing and also because of representations I have had from Mr Muldoon, we have re-examined most carefully the possibility of having the meeting in that earlier period.

We have established that it is not possible to run the meeting in the last week of September as residential accommodation in hotels will not be available.

However, by securing the cooperation of certain organisations which had made firm bookings of the Melbourne venue that we will be using for the meeting, it will now be possible to conduct the meeting from 30 September to 7 October 1981.

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(Malcolm Fraser)

Ends.

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The Right Honourable Margaret Thatcher, M.P.,
Prime Minister,
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