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Rt.Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, MP, House of Commons.

19th May 1977

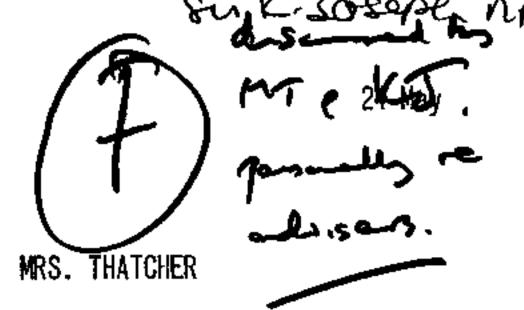
At the Tube Investments' party on Wednesday evening Jim Ball came up to me to say that he would like you to know that he would very gladly indeed be consulted by you regularly or from time to time should you so wish.

He had formed the impression, he said, that you have no regular consultant on economic matters and he wanted you to know that should you wish he give any help he can.

I told him that I would pass the message on. I added that I knew you saw different people from time to time but that I was sure that you would be glad to know of his willingness to help.

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i am writing to acknowledge your kind letter of May 19 about Mr. Jim Ball. I will of course show this to Mrs. Thatcher as soon as possible, and she will be in touch with you direct.

> Richard Ryder Private Office

The Rt. Hon. Sir Keith Joseph Bt AP