



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

27 August 1981

Dear Mr. Clark,

Thank you for your letter of 5 August.

Following his visit to Merseyside, Michael Heseltine is now reporting to me and to colleagues with his conclusions. We shall want to consider carefully what he says. I can only repeat what I said to you when we met on 24 July, that there is no question of favourable treatment for Merseyside to the exclusion of other urban areas.

You made this point very forcibly when we met and I shall not forget it. I also have not forgotten the photographs of the area which you showed me.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Dr. David Clark, MP.

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