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THE PRIME MINISTER

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*Dear Helene.*

Thank you so much for your letter of 27 March. I have by no means given up hope of bringing home to our athletes how lamentable their decision to go to Moscow is. We are indeed, as you suggest, gathering the best available evidence of what is going on in Afghanistan with a view to using it to affect opinion throughout the country. *There have been some terrible reports recently.*

I agree with you entirely about the importance of getting the right man as Chairman of the BBC. - *also that is easier said than done. It is not only controversial jobs - it is the whole question of balance and public taste. We want someone who will actually*

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*visit that both are observed.*

*Yours ever  
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