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The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher MP
Prime Minister and First Lord
of the Treasury
10 Downing Street
LONDON SW1

Dear Mrs Thatcher

Thank you for your letter which I received one hour ago regarding Distington Foundry.

You did refer during your conversation with me, to the need for the workforce to be made fully aware of the reasons why the closure had to take place and your letter does not make it particularly clear as to what all the reasons are for the closure. What your letter does do is say that Mr MacGregor makes it clear that he is satisfied that the right decision has been taken and that the Management assessment which lead to it was fair and correct.

I would be grateful therefore, if you could let me know whether you are satisfied that all the facts have been made available to the Distington workforce, or are there other facts which have not been made available, that as I understand it was one of the questions you intended to raise with Mr MacGregor.

Yours sincerely

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(Dictated by Mr Campbell-Savours
and signed during his absence)