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Her Excellency
Mrs Margaret Thatcher
British Prime Minister
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Dear Mrs Thatcher,

I wish to thank you for having responded to our appeal by sending a Parliamentary delegation to observe the Presidential elections in Lebanon. That delegation, which consisted of those British Members of Parliament best acquainted with the problems of Lebanon and the Middle East, was able to observe a democratic ballot which resulted in the election of a new President of the Republic.

The Lebanese people, who have been informed of your efforts to ensure that the delegation was appointed at the right time and at the appropriate level, are most grateful to you, as are their representatives in the National Assembly. I should also like to convey to you my personal wishes for your success and for the prosperity of the British people of whom you are the worthy representative.

Kamel El-Assad

President of the Lebanese National Assembly.