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Dear Mrs Thatcher,

I should like to thank you for the cordial welcome I received in London last week. It was a pleasure to exchange views with you once again and to confirm that our countries share the same standpoint on a number of important issues. I fully understand how important to you relations both with and within the European Community are since the Community is a significant political and economic force. I shall do everything I can to contribute to solving such problems as exist. As Britain revitalises its industry it will benefit more and more from access to the common market. Indeed it is in Europe that Britain will reap much of the harvest of an industrial recovery. It is therefore both necessary and possible for Britain and Europe to agree with each other.

I trust that 1983 will be a productive year in a more general sense. I would also like to take this opportunity to repeat my invitation to you to visit The Hague either officially or unofficially. I would be delighted to welcome you to the Netherlands.

Yours sincerely,

(R.F.M. Lubbers)