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DEAR MARGARET:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MESSAGE WITH THE NEWS THAT YOU HAVE CALLED ELECTIONS ON JUNE 9. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE DIFFICULTIES OF LEAVING THE UNITED KINGDOM DURING THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN PERIOD. IT IS FINE WITH ME IF YOU ANNOUNCE TODAY THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COME TO WASHINGTON FOR A BILATERAL MEETING.

I WOULD VERY MUCH HOPE THAT YOU WOULD SEE YOUR WAY CLEAR TO PARTICIPATING PERSONALLY IN THE WILLIAMSBURG MEETING ITSELF. OUR APPROACHES TO COMMON CHALLENGES ARE VERY SIMILAR, AND I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR IDEAS AND SUPPORT DURING THE DISCUSSIONS IN WILLIAMSBURG. PERHAPS YOU COULD ATTEND FROM NOON SUNDAY, MAY 29, TO THE FORMAL CLOSING ON MONDAY, MAY 30. DURING THIS PERIOD YOU WOULD PARTICIPATE BOTH IN THE CRITICAL SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS AND THE MAJOR PUBLIC EVENT OF THE SUMMIT.

I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN THE ELECTION, AND IN GAINING ANOTHER MANDATE TO CARRY OUT THE COURAGEOUS AND PRINCIPLED POLICIES WHICH YOU HAVE BEGUN.

SINCERELY,

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