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THE PRIME MINISTER

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PERSONAL MESSAGE

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Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter of 29 April which was brought to London recently by your Finance Minister, the Hon. S. Lutchmeenaraidoo.

I was glad to learn from your letter, and from the account which Mr. Lutchmeenaraidoo gave to Mr. Raison, the Minister for Overseas Development, that your efforts to bring about the structural adjustment of the Mauritian economy with the help of the IMF and the World Bank were succeeding. We have received an invitation to the Consultative Group meeting in Paris and a UK delegation will certainly attend. We are studying the documents defining your needs.

I hope our delegation will be able to play a constructive part in the Consultative Group Meeting. However, as you will know, Parliament has been dissolved and a General Election is to take place on 9 June. I am afraid this means that a definite response to the requests you put to me earlier will have to be deferred until after the new British Government has taken office.

Yours sincerely
Raymond Thatcher

The Hon. Aneerood Jugnauth, Q.C.