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THE PRIME MINISTER

24 June 1983

My dear Charlotte,

I write to thank you most warmly for all your kind hospitality and for the admirable arrangements made for the European Council in Stuttgart.

For you it was a particularly arduous meeting but I hope that you are encouraged by the results. I warmly admire the way you handled the discussions and am very grateful indeed for the understanding which you showed of particular British problems.

I believe that the Stuttgart Council could well come to be seen as a turning point in the affairs of the European Community. Under your Presidency the foundations have been laid for the fundamental reforms which our two countries have long sought. This is a most notable achievement and has not received sufficient public attention.

May I also thank you for the beautiful fossil which you gave to me. I remember so well the splendid array of fossils in your office in Bonn.

Yours sincerely

*Raymond Thatcher*

His Excellency Herr Dr. Helmut Kohl