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MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO PRESIDENT REAGAN.

I WAS THRILLED TO HEAR THAT THE FLIGHT OF THE COLUMBIA HAS
BEEN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE, WHICH OPENS A NEW
ERA IN THE SPACE AGE, HAS BEEN A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT AND I
SHARE WITH YOU THE PRIDE YOU MUST NOW BE FEELING.

PLEASE CONVEY TO EVERYONE INVOLVED - FROM THE ASTRONAUTS
THEMSELVES TO ALL THE TEAMS SUPPORTING THEM ON THE GROUND -
MY WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE BRITISH PEOPLE.

MARGARET THATCHER,
PRIME MINISTER.

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