



10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

17 November 1980

Dear Mr. Verey,

It was very kind of you to write to me about Terence Beckett's speech.

You have probably heard by now that I had a useful meeting with him and with Ray Pennock earlier this week. Some of what the Director General said at Brighton may have been quoted out of context, but I am delighted to see that so many industrialists have expressed their opposition to the line he was reported to have taken.

I am also very pleased to hear that the NSPCC was helped in its fund raising efforts by our party here. I was most grateful to you for your efforts in helping me with my Royal Guest that evening.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

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