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Prime Minister
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New Zealand

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The Right Hon. Margaret Thatcher, M.P.,
Prime Minister,
10 Downing Street,
London,
ENGLAND

Dear Margaret,

It gives me much pleasure to convey to you our warm greetings on this the first flight by Air New Zealand from Auckland to London.

This new service is the realisation of a dream of more than 40 years when New Zealand first began its own air services.

It reinforces the bonds between our two countries and expresses them in a tangible form. I am proud that the koru emblem on the tail of our aircraft will again grace British skies.

We are pleased that our airline is operating this service alongside British Airways. Your airline has a fine record of service between our two countries.

Though our countries are on opposite sides of the world, this new service will bring us so much closer. I wish it well and trust it enjoys the success it deserves.

Sincerely,

R. D. Muldoon

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