

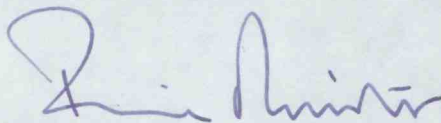
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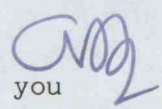
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31st October 1990



Dear Charles,

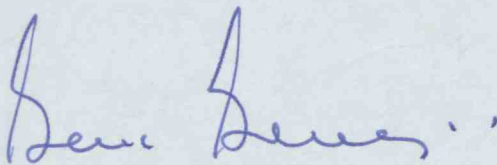
I take pleasure in forwarding to you
the enclosed letter addressed to the Prime
Minister by the President of the Italian Republic,
together with a rough translation.



I should be most grateful if you could
pass the letter on to the Prime Minister.



Yours sincerely,



(Boris Biancheri)

Mr. Charles POWELL
Private Secretary to the Prime Minister
(Overseas Affairs)
10 Downing Street
London SW1



Il Presidente della Repubblica Italiana

Roma, 29 ottobre 1990

Signor Primo Ministro,

rientrato in Italia, desidero rinnovarLe i miei più sentiti ringraziamenti per le cortesie che ha voluto riservare a me, al Ministro degli Affari Esteri De Michelis, al Sottosegretario Vitalone ed alla mia delegazione in occasione della visita di Stato che ho compiuto nei giorni scorsi nel Regno Unito.

E' stato con vivo piacere che ho avuto modo, in particolare, di intrattenermi con Lei sui temi che ci vedono oggi, quali Paesi legati da vincoli di profonda amicizia ed alleanza, affrontare insieme le impegnative scadenze che caratterizzano la presente congiuntura internazionale, alcune delle quali sono motivo di stimolante impegno, altre di comprensibile preoccupazione.

Nel rinnovarLe i più fervidi saluti e nell'augurarmi di poter aver presto l'occasione di rincontrarLa, Le invio, con i miei più vivi ringraziamenti, il mio amichevole e memore pensiero.

df. ms
francesco Longi

Signora Margaret Thatcher

Primo Ministro

L O N D R A



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Letter

from: The President of the Italian Republic, Francesco Cossiga
to: The Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, MP
date: Rome, 29th October, 1990

Dear Prime Minister,

On my return to Italy, I wish to renew to you my warmest thanks for the courtesies which you so very kindly extended to me, to the Foreign Minister, Signor De Michelis, to the Minister of State, Signor Vitalone and to my delegation, on the occasion of my State Visit to the United Kingdom.

It has been for me the source of great pleasure to have had the opportunity of examining with you the topics which today see Italy and the United Kingdom, two countries united by close ties of friendship and alliance, face together the important issues which characterize the current international scene, some of which are a source of stimulating commitment, others, of understandable concern.

In renewing my warmest best wishes and in the hope of having the pleasure of meeting you again soon, I send you, my dear Prime Minister, my most sincere thanks and best regards.

Yours affectionately,

Signed: Francesco Cossiga.