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DEAR MARGARET:

I AM GENUINELY DELIGHTED BY YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF OUR OFFER TO FLY
A BRITISH ASTRONAUT ON A FUTURE SPACE SHUTTLE MISSION. I AM ALSO
PLEASED BY THE WARM HOSPITALITY EXTENDED JIM BEGGS DURING HIS
RECENT VISIT TO LONDON.

I HOPE YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION
ON THE MANNED SPACE STATION PROGRAM CAN PROVIDE A HIGHLY VISIBLE,
HIGHLY POSITIVE CENTERPIECE FOR DEMONSTRATING OUR UNITY OF PURPOSE,
GOODWILL AND FRIENDSHIP. TOWARD THAT END, I AM HOPEFUL THAT THE
LONDON SUMMIT CAN PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PARTICIPANTS TO
ESTABLISH THE POLITICAL UNDERPINNING FOR THIS JOINT VENTURE. I
LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN JUNE.

WARM REGARDS,

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