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THE PRIME MINISTER

21 May, 1984

**PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
SERIAL No. T 8514.**

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter of 2 May about the UN Security Council debate on Cyprus which has just finished.

Like you we recognised that the debate was of great importance for the future of Cyprus and for the welfare of all its people. We also had very much in mind the historical links to which you drew our attention in your letter.

We followed the course of the debate with the closest attention. I am glad that the resolution which was adopted, and for which we voted, endorsed the UN Secretary-General's mandate to pursue his mission of good offices. We continue to believe that he is best placed to make progress towards the peaceful, just and lasting settlement in Cyprus that we all so much want. We shall continue to give him our full support and I feel sure that you will do the same.

Looking to the future I very much hope that all who are in a position to affect the destiny of Cyprus and the welfare of its people will show the determination required to make a positive contribution towards the settlement of the Cyprus problem.

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I hope also that all parties will avoid actions which could give rise to new tensions in Cyprus and make the Secretary-General's task more difficult. We will continue to play our part in this.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

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His Excellency Mr. Andreas Papandreou