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Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher FRS MP  
Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury  
10 Downing Street  
LONDON

Dear Mrs Thatcher

I have been asked to pass on to you the following message from our Prime Minister.

Dear Prime Minister

Now that we have received a thoroughly satisfactory decision from the EC on butter quantities for 1987 and 1988, I want to convey to you my thanks for the way in which your Government has constantly supported New Zealand in this year's access debate. It has, I think, been central to the success we have had. It has not been an easy campaign, for you as well as for us. It has been, however, a real example of the underlying closeness of the relationship between our two countries.

I know that Sir Geoffrey Howe personally has played a large part in the skilful British handling of the issue over the last weeks. I have therefore written separately to thank him for his efforts.

Yours sincerely

David Lange

May I add my own thanks for the strong support you have given us.

Yours sincerely  
David Lange