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From the Private Secretary

5 September 1996

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for the invitation to attend your debate on Northern Ireland scheduled for 14 November.

I am afraid the Prime Minister will not be able to accept himself, but I understand that Michael Ancram may be able to do so. The Prime Minister has asked me to pass on his best wishes for an enjoyable evening.

JOHN HOLMES

Ms. Valerie Shaw

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