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*Prime Minister*

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Mr Tony Blair  
Prime Minister of Great Britain

*Dear Tony,*

As you know, I will be leaving my post as Minister for Foreign Affairs on 26 June. I had hoped to say goodbye during our meeting in Amsterdam but a family illness required my early return to Ireland. May I take this opportunity, therefore, to wish you every success in the work that lies ahead. It has been a privilege to work with you.

Yours sincerely,

*Good luck to you and the Labour Party  
and I hope to stay in contact.*

*Dick Spring*

Dick Spring  
Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs