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THE PRIME MINISTER

Dear Prime Minister

Thank you for the memorandum on the Hillbank project which you gave me in New Delhi. I was most interested to read more about this scheme which is obviously both imaginative and ambitious and I am glad to hear that British companies have shown great interest in it. At first sight the project would seem to offer potential benefits to the economy of your country, both directly by providing Belize with a new and independent source of power, and indirectly by developing the infra-structure so necessary for future investment and expansion. Officials in the various British government departments concerned were glad to have the opportunity to discuss the project with your Ministers, Mr. Musa and Mr. Hunter, when they were in London last month. I am also grateful to you for keeping the High Commissioner at Belmopan in close touch about it.

Any project on this scale of course requires full and careful evaluation. I understand that consideration is currently being given to the best way of making more detailed studies of this scheme and we shall follow the progress made with great interest.

Yours sincerely

Margaret Thatcher

The Right Honourable George Price, PC

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