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Chairman's Office

September 1997

Dear JR Gorman

It is most kind of you to have taken the time and the trouble to write. The power of the word is mighty and your words of comfort and condolence have been of great help to me, my wife and our children at a very bleak time in our lives.

I think we have all been through a great ordeal and life will never be the same again. Sentiments such as yours are invaluable in helping the healing process.

It would help me to come to terms with my loss to tell you something about my son. Dodi was always kind, gentle and decent. The whole family loved Princess Diana but Dodi cherished her friendship more dearly than his own existence. He respected everything about her and wished to bring her only happiness after the years of difficulty.

As his father, of course I think he was special. But I am sure that a wonderful woman like Princess Diana, with that unique star-bright quality, would never have given her affection to anyone outside that part of the heavens that is set aside for the truly exceptional.

Dodi was a private man, shy with people he didn't know. Princess Diana was a world figure, kind and considerate to everyone she met. They are simply irreplaceable. I take some comfort from my absolute belief that God has taken their souls to live together in Paradise. Now they have the peace denied them on earth even if those of us who are left behind will always miss them so.

If this planet lasts for another thousand years, people will still be talking about the terrible event we are living through. But what they will remember most is the love that existed between two wonderful people.

Our hearts are broken. Thank you for sharing our pain.

Yours sincerely.

M. Al Fayed

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## NORTHERN IRELAND FORUM FOR POLITICAL DIALOGUE

For the purpose of Rule 13(1) it is my opinion that the motions below, having achieved assent by not less than 66% of those voting, may reasonably be deemed to command support across the various traditions in Northern Ireland.

This Forum on behalf of the people of Northern Ireland is shocked and deeply saddened by the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales, and offers its heartfelt condolences and sympathy to Her Majesty the Queen, all other members of the Royal Family and the Spencer Family. The Forum's thoughts and prayers are particularly with Prince William and Prince Harry at this distressing time.

The future Governance of Northern Ireland should be determined by the people of Northern Ireland alone.

J R GORMAN Chairman

Signed:

Date:

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ST. JAMES'S PALACE

From: The Private Secretary to HRH The Prince of Wales

12th September 1997

A. Garna

The Prince of Wales has asked me to thank you for your letter of 8th September and to say how touched he was that you should have taken the trouble to write as you did. Your kind and sympathetic thoughts are greatly appreciated by His Royal Highness, who has asked me to pass on to you his heartfelt best wishes.

Stephen Lamport

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BALMORAL CASTLE

10th September, 1997

New John

Thank you so much for your letter of 9th September and for your kind message of condolence to The Queen on the sudden and tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales.

I have passed your letter to Her Majesty, and The Queen, The Prince of Wales, Prince William and Prince Harry, and all members of the family are most grateful for your thoughtful expression of sympathy at this sad time.

Thank you also for your personal message which my wife and I much appreciated. It has been a terrible time, but we have been helped by the many supportive letters such as your own which we have received.

Thank you, too, for the copy of the debate of the Northern Ireland Forum on the death of the Princess which you enclosed, and which I shall show to The Queen at an early opportunity. It is fuscing, a having .

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