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FROM: RT HON JOHN MAJOR
PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

TO: HIS EXCELLENCY GUNTIS ULMANIS
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA

I was delighted to meet you on 13 April. I found our discussions on Latvia particularly useful. I hope that you found value in the British Government's support for Latvian sovereignty and independence and for Latvian integration into Western and European structures. I also underlined our support for the withdrawal of Russian troops by 31 August, and for the other agreements which Latvia initialled with Russia on 15 March.

In concluding these agreements, which I believe are in the interests of both Latvia and Russia, you and President Yeltsin have shown your personal commitment and determination to resolve outstanding issues and to put relations between your two countries on a new footing. I welcome President Yeltsin's clarification of the order of 5 April and Russia's commitment to developing warm bilateral relations with Latvia.

I am sure that, in view of the Russian clarification, it would be right for you to visit Moscow at the earliest opportunity to sign the four agreements initialled with Russia. The agreements not only provide a chance to secure Russian military withdrawal, but are an important contribution to security and stability in Northern Europe.