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From the Private Secretary

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I attach a copy of a letter the Prime Minister has received from Councillor John Layden of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities.

I should be grateful if you could provide a draft reply for Private Secretary signature, to reach me by 27 January.

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Miss Sue Vandervord,
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From the Chairman

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10th January 1986

The Right Honourable Mrs. M. Thatcher M.P.,
The Prime Minister,
10, Downing Street,
LONDON.

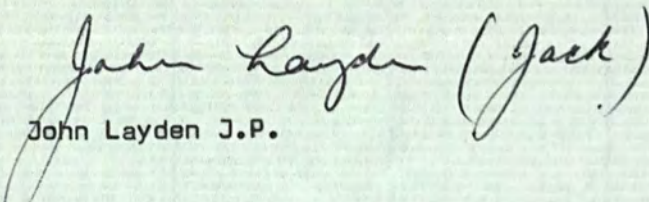
Dear Prime Minister,

Seminar on Crime Prevention

May I first thank you for the opportunity to participate in the seminar, and to repeat what I said, that the prevention of crime in all its forms is an objective we share. You are seeking cooperation in certain initiatives, especially those relating to the Education service and, through the Home Office, to crime in shopping centres. I hope that local authorities will give that cooperation.

I would, though, urge you to encourage your colleagues to recognise the contribution that local authorities can make in this field. The causes of crime are complex, as are the measures needed to reduce its incidence. Local authorities should be full partners in all measures to make our communities safer places in which to live and work. I hope that is a view you would endorse.

Yours sincerely,


John Layden J.P.