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THE PRIME MINISTER

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*Dear Martin,*

I wanted to write to thank you personally, and all those in your team, for the very positive spirit and commitment you brought to the challenge of helping secure an agreement on a new settlement for the United Kingdom at last week's European Council. The contribution you personally, and your Sherpas, Elmar Brok, Roberto Gualtieri and Guy Verhofstadt, made to this historic agreement was absolutely essential to its success. Please pass my thanks to them and to the rest of your staff.

I have been very conscious of the importance of working closely with you and your colleagues in the European Parliament throughout this renegotiation process. And I am well aware that, if the British people vote to remain in the European Union, then our partnership with the Parliament will be equally crucial in promptly delivering the reforms to which we all committed ourselves. I look forward to working with you and your team in the future.

*With all good wishes -*

*Yours,*

*David*

His Excellency Mr Martin Schulz