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THE PRIME MINISTER

I am glad to have this opportunity to send a message to the Appeal of Conscience Foundation on the occasion of its annual award dinner.

I very much admire the most marvellous contribution which Barbara Bush has made to humanitarian causes, in particular to the promotion of literacy. Her warmth and humanity which were so evident during her visit to Britain earlier this year are an inspiration to many thousands of others to follow her example of voluntary service. Both Barbara and Roger Smith deserve our warmest thanks and praise for the work which they have done in encouraging international co-operation in this field.

I also congratulate Mr. Chingiz Aitmatov, who has been awarded the Foundation's literary prize. And I praise the Appeal of Conscience Foundation for helping to ensure that human rights remain at the forefront of the international agenda.

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