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THE PRIME MINISTER

I am delighted to send my best wishes to the Appeal of Conscience Foundation on its 25th Anniversary. As a past recipient of the Foundation's award, I also offer my sincere congratulations to His Eminence Cardinal Agostino Casaroli and Mr Jay Pritzker. Both have made valuable contributions in the field of human rights.

In the past year we have witnessed dramatic change in Eastern Europe. We can all be greatly encouraged by the new freedoms enjoyed by their peoples. Churches and religious communities in these countries and throughout the world continue to play a leading role in the fight against discrimination and injustice and in the promotion of human rights. Yet recent events in the Gulf emphasise the need for vigilance. They remind us of the efforts still required to make the rights enjoyed in our own countries the rights of every nation.

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May your Foundation continue its valuable work for a further 25 years, and enjoy increased success in promoting its worthy causes.