

From: The Rt. Hon. James Callaghan, M.P.



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PERSONAL

Des James

Many thanks for your very kind letter of 19th June. Heaven knows, you had a difficult task, but neither you nor I tried to make any capital out of a difficult situation. From all accounts, you are facing just as great problems at the moment, and I wish you the best of luck.

I am very sorry not to be handling this from Westminster now, but I intend to take a continuing interest in the affairs of Northern Ireland, because I feel a sense of commitment to the country.

If things are fairly quiet, I may make a private visit later in the summer, as I should like to see more of the countryside, both in the North and in Eire. If I do so, I will let you know.

Any time you are in London in the future, I shall, of course, be very glad to have a talk about matters if you wish.

I am sure you will find it easy to get on with Reggie Maudling.

With kind regards and best wishes,

James Callaghan
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The Rt. Hon. Major James Chichester-Clark.