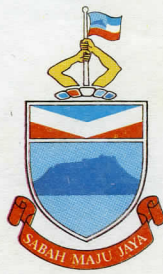


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Hon. Datuk Shane L. Stone,
Parliament House,
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Dear Shane,

I was shocked to hear about your resignation as Chief Minister. It was Datuk Tham who first phoned me and he was equally surprised. We believe you must have a good reason for resigning.

All of us here truly appreciate your contributions, friendship and commitment to mutual success. We look forward to meeting you and family again (here in Sabah or NT).

For your information, Sabah is now facing a State general elections. Nomination have been smoothly concluded today. I am again defending my Likas seat.

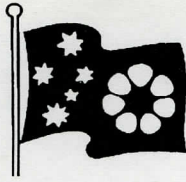
The results will be known on the evening of 13th March. After that, I look forward to my trip to Darwin and Alice Spring.

Wishing you and family all the best in your future undertakings.

Thank you.

(DATUK YONG TECK LEE)
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Dear Datuk

Thank you for your letter of March 2, following on from my retirement as Chief Minister.

The circumstances and facts surrounding what occurred are somewhat complex and no doubt I will have an opportunity to tell you first hand, when next you visit the Northern Territory.

I have subsequently gleaned some information about the Sabah State elections. I understand Bernard Dompok and Joseph Kurup both lost their seats. This rare phenomena of leaders and deputy leaders winning an election but losing their seats is not confined to Sabah. The same occurred in the Northern Territory in 1977.

I understand however that you and Datuk Tham were returned and I congratulate you on your success.

My new contact numbers are as follows:-

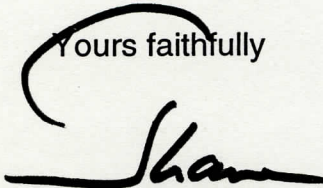
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If your plans are still to visit the Northern Territory during EXPO, I would be very pleased to receive you at that time.

Thank you for your friendship and support throughout the time that we served together as Ministers and Chief Ministers.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shane', with a large, sweeping flourish that loops back under the first part of the signature.

Shane L. Stone