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10 February 1999

Hon Shane Stone
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Dear Shane

I don't suppose I should be surprised at anything that goes on in the world of politics, but have to admit that your decision to step down did floor me !.

Wasn't it one-time British PM Harold Wilson who said that 24 hours was a long time in politics?

Some day soon we might sit down over a curry and a bottle of fine red wine and you can tell me what really happened.

However, the purpose of this note is to express my sincere thanks for all you did for me and my company during your time in various Ministerial portfolios and as Chief Minister.

I always felt I could call on you for sound, practical advice and that you always had the good of the Territory at heart in everything you put forward.

Neelo and I both hope our friendship with you and Josephine wil continue into the future. In fact, now the pressures are off we will undoubtedly see more of you both.

Once again, my thanks for your many kindnesses.

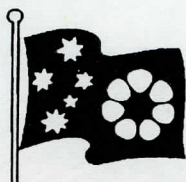
Sincerely

SAKIB AWAN

PS: I just received your letter of February 9. Thanks for the sentiments expressed.

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7 April, 1999

Mr Sakib Awan
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Dear Sakib

Thank you for your letter of February 10 and your support for the Testimonial function on Friday March 26.

I apologise for not responding earlier but as you will appreciate I have received an avalanche of personal mail and I am determined that every letter will receive an equally personal response.

I did appreciate however the sentiments that you set out in your letter and the fact that you took the time to come to my house to express in a more personal way your views on what had transpired.

Politics is very much a roller coaster ride as British Prime Minister, Harold Wilson pointed out. There are many peaks and troughs, rewards and disappointments.

However, if at the end of the day it is the assessment that I made a difference as a Minister and Chief Minister then I know that I would have done my best.

You can be assured of our continuing friendship and support as we start to leave the political arena. Notwithstanding the disquiet of some of my colleagues I do intend to pursue the Presidency of the Federal Liberal Party. I would have thought that to be very much in the interests of the Territory let alone of the CLP.

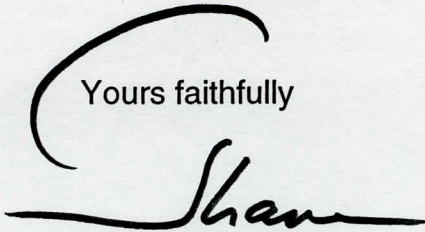
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Thank you again for your support for the Testimonial function and in organising those of the Honorary Consuls who could attend. My apologies to Neelo if the seating arrangement did not meet with her approval, she can blame Bob Matthewson for wanting to invite too many people on to her table. All the best for the future and in the event that I can ever be any assistance, you should not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shane', with a large, sweeping flourish above it that starts under the word 'Yours faithfully' and extends to the right.

Shane L. Stone