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From The High Commissioner
Sir Roger Carrick KCMG LVO

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The Hon Shane Stone
Chief Minister
Parliament House
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Dear Shane

Many thanks for your letter of 16 May. It was good to hear from you. Yes, I've noticed your journeys to Canberra; and haven't bothered you as clearly they have been rushed and beset by difficult problems: I've admired your leadership and good sense on gun control. Do give us a shout here if you need anything - meal, drink, bed

Hilary and I will be en route for the UK during your Expo '96 - for some leave and duty. But Tony Abbott, Consul-General in Perth, who covers your Territory for commercial purposes, will come to Expo and will form an assessment of whether there is a case for later involving the UK in any way, or whether our commercial interests can best be pursued in other ways - to profit both the UK and the Territory.

Hurrah for the baptised Madeleine Antonia - and warm regards to Josephine, Jack and you.

*Yours
Roger*

PS You will be unsurprised to know that the Aboriginal painting is much admired by real experts, and much enjoyed by us and our guests at Westminster House.



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16 May, 1996

Lady Carrick and
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Dear Hilary and Roger

I was very pleased to receive your card of May 6 following on from the birth of Madeleine Antonia.

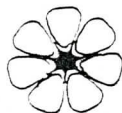
The baptism was administered on Sunday, May 12 and was a great event.

I hope that you are able to make your way to the north for Expo '96. I have been back and forth to Canberra in the intervening period but, as you can imagine, I have little time for my own pursuits.

I hope that you are both well and I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Yours faithfully

Shane L. Stone



Northern Territory Government