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Mrs. Indira Gandhi,
Prime Minister of India
Lok Sabha, New Delhi,
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Dear Madam,

The Indian Workers Association (G.B.) come to know from reliable sources that Mrs. Margaret Thatcher is visiting India in the first half of April this year. We welcome the two heads of Govt meeting and discussing matters of mutual interest.

Having said that we wish to take this opportunity of apprising you and the people of India of the most appalling and unspeakable conditions we the Black Settlers (black&brown) are obliged to live under in Mrs Thatcher's Britain.

Since Mrs Thatcher assumed leadership of Tory Party in 1974, she was lurking for power at any price. In 1977, she gave a "Xmas Present" to the Black Settlers during a T.V. interview when she shared the genuine apprehension of the people of Britain (white only) of being swamped by alien cultures (i e black & brown) and she pledged 'to turn the tap of immigration off' when she came to power.

These premeditated xenophobic remarks ignited the gun—powder of racial hatred against the people of Asian and Afro—Caribbean backgrounds settled in Britain. Mrs Thatcher, by her vote—catching remarks, gave respectability to Mr. Powell's philosophy of hate and to the worshippers of Hitler ie the National Front, the British Movement etc who let hell loose on us. Mr. Powell was the first to congratulate her on her "positive initiative" on Race & Immigration.

In the wake of her "swamping" interview, there were vicious racial attacks on the life and property of Black people at the hands of racist thugs in various parts of London, Birmingham, Wolverhampton and numerous other towns up and down the country. There was an arson crusade against our homes, temples, mosques and shops etc, Our ladies were disgraced in broad day light. There were gun attacks on Blacks. Police took no notice of the complaints against their kind.

Judge Neil Mckinnon, being sympathetic to Mrs Thatcher, while acquitting a self professed racist of the charge of inciting racial hatred in January 1978 said : " The use of words niggers, wogs and coons is not unlawful..... you have every right to propagate your views. I wish you well ".

On 23rd April 1979 — twelve days before the general elections when she lied to the people to get into power — during a protest march organised by black and white workers of Southall against the blatantly racist activities of the N.F. and police apathy the special patrol group (Mrs. Thatcher's elite murder squad) went berserk and bludgeoned Blair Peach (a Newzeland Teacher) to death in the broad day light. Mrs. Thatcher's Govt has contemptuously rejected repeated demands for a public inquiry.

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Immediately after assuming power in 1979, she led the cultural irivasion against our daughters, their right to bring their fiances from overseas was withdrawn causing untold suffering to countless families.

Numerous racial murders and countless arsoning and physical attacks have been suffered by the settlers since Mrs. Thatcher took office. On July 1980 the racist things murdered Akhtar Ali Beg, a 29 years old chartered accountant in High Street, North London.

On January 17, 1981, 13 young blacks were burnt to death at a birthday party in Newcross London, when a petrol bomb went through the front of the home. The criminals have not been found. Police are busy trying to prove the massacre was not racial.

The so called British Nationality Bill (now in Parliament) is another racist immigration bill in disguise designed to perpetuate the 2nd class status of blacks in Britain, to divide & weaken the working class and to scape-goat the blacks for all the ills of Britain (caused by Mrs. Thatcher's own Govt) as in the case of the Jews under Hitler in the 1930's.

In short, We live in a most racist police state where our property, religion, culture, languages, dignity—our very existence — are under constant attack. Mrs. Thatcher's Govt in less than 2 years in office has virtually dehumanised the working class in general and the blacks in particular. We the unfortunate settlers, as part of the trade union movement of Britain, are up against the most ham-handed, Hitler-hearted, Pudding-headed and bloody-minded Govt of all time. May 5, 1980 was Mrs. Thatcher's 1st anniversary of shame. Since then, every moment in our life is Mrs. Thatcher's anniversary of shame, terror and inhumanity.

We earnestly request the whole-hearted support of the Indian people, the Indian Govt and of all freedom loving people and Govts of the world to help us to restore our human status.

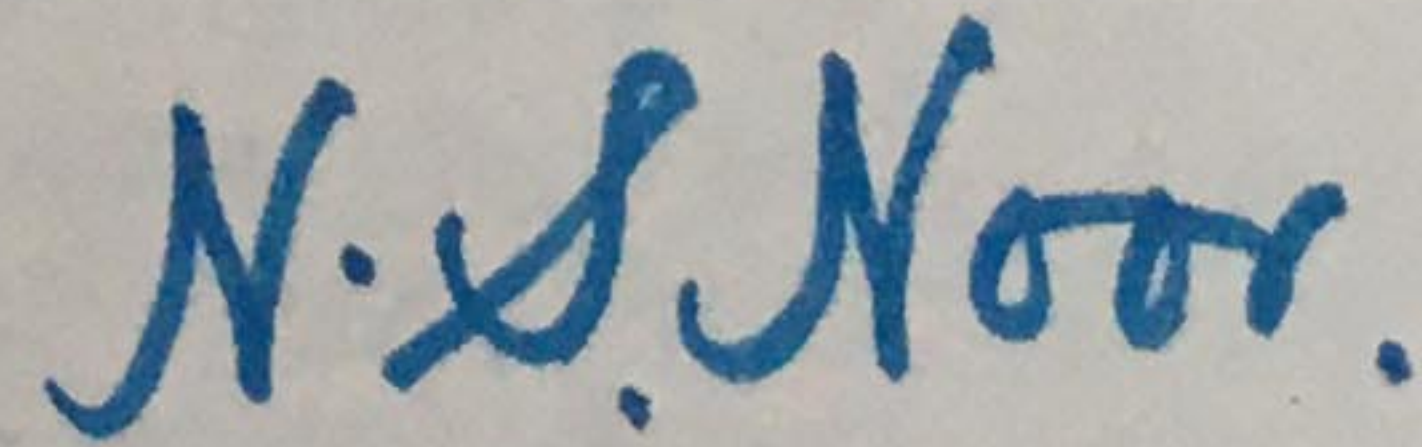
Our heartfelt thanks are due to all the Indian people who protested to Prince Charles, during his recent visit to India, against racial discrimination in Britain. A recent protest by many respectable opposition parties in India against the implications of the British Nationality Bill is also heartening to us in that we are not alone in our fight against racist laws and racial discrimination in Britain.

We sincerely hope that despite a very heavy agenda which you might already have, you will find a moment or two to discuss with Mrs. Thatcher, the points we have raised in our letter. We also hope, that Indians in their thousands will peacefully demonstrate their solidarity with us, the victims of her racism, when Mrs. Thatcher visits India.

Needless to say, although we are vulnerable to racial attack any time in Britain, The Indian Police will take necessary security measures to insure her safe return to Britain, where she is badly needed to complete her term of terror and shame at the end of which people of Britain, both black & white, will decide never to be subjected to tory rule in future.

Your acknowledging receipt of this letter will be highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully



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P.S. Please support our day of action on Sunday 5th April, 1981 against Racist Laws and racial discrimination in Britain.