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Dear Mr Thatcher,

Thank you so very much for your warm welcome, and an excellent lunch on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>.

I very much appreciated that you took such trouble to put us at ease; indeed (Dequans did) feel like your own personal home - long may it remain so.

It is very stimulating to be included in such discussions. It is also reassuring, firstly that you are chairman of the review group, and secondly, that you are listening to, and questioning, those of us who work on the shop floor.



A system must evolve where there are incentives to work cost effectively - with the grain of human nature, money following the patient - as this is the only way (i.e. competition) that the exponential rise in medical costs will be contained, without damage to patient care.

If there is any small way that I can be of assistance I would be delighted. I was grateful to be included on Sunday and hope that what I said was appropriate, constructive and useful. Our new surgical block will be, <sup>and must be,</sup> a flagship for the N. H.S.; and we respond to the stimulus.

My only regret was that I did not have the opportunity to talk to Mr Thatcher. It is apparent to the visitor that the happy home background provides the ballast to the very great strength that you show in times of difficulty. We are all the beneficiaries of it.

A simple thank you.

Yours sincerely, Robin Touquet.  
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