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Mr Dave Murray,



It was really good to hear from you. I do of course remember the group that came along with Julian. Thank you very much for your kind letter of good wishes and congratulations on the Good Friday Agreement. It took a lot of work, but in the end we got there, thanks to the encouragement of people like you. The support of young people has been especially encouraging.

As you know, we campaigned hard in the Referendum, and were delighted to get a massive 'Yes' vote on Saturday past. This vote was so strong that it is not just a mandate, but a moral imperative to make the Agreement work

Now we are already under way with the elections to the new Northern Ireland Assembly. We hope that all those elected will work the new Agreement constructively. Certainly I, and all my colleagues in Alliance, will do everything we can to make sure that we hold it together.

Thank you again for your prayerful support. Keep it up. I really do appreciate it.