



THE PRIME MINISTER

Oslo, 13 July 2016

Dear Mrs May

I would like to extend my warmest congratulations on your appointment as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

Norway and the UK enjoy longstanding ties and close and fruitful cooperation on a range of international issues, for example as NATO members and as partners in the European Economic Area. The UK is also one of our most important trading partners, importing roughly one quarter of our natural gas.

The UK will continue to be one of Norway's closest partners and allies. It is of the greatest importance for us that new arrangements can be negotiated that enable us to maintain trade and cooperation with our UK partners.

Meanwhile, I am confident that the ties between Norway and the UK will remain close. I look forward to working with you, and I hope that we will have the chance to meet for discussions in the not too distant future.

Due to the forthcoming changes in the UK government, I have already informed Mr Cameron that I believe it would be in our common interest to postpone this year's Northern Future Forum. I will get back with new dates in due course.

I wish you every success with the important tasks that lie ahead.

Yours sincerely

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