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Mr Sanjay Jagatia,  
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Dear Sanjay,

**Retirement of Pope Benedict XVI**

Thank you very much indeed for sending me the very kind and generous statement from the Hindu Council UK on the occasion of the announcement by Pope Benedict XVI of his retirement at the end of February 2013.

We were all impressed with the Holy Father's Visit to the UK in September 2010 and for his generosity and graciousness in reaching out to people of other faiths and to those of no faith at all. Thank you so much for your kindness and let us pray for each other and our communities that we may grow in greater understanding and love for each other.

With an assurance of my prayers and good wishes,