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## LETTER FROM JONATHAN MANN

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, at the request of Mr. Jonathan Mann, today released the text of a letter received November 21, 1984.

"Dear Mr. Clark,

Please accept my deepest and most heartfelt thanks for the work you and members of your Department did to secure my quick release after I was arrested for illegally entering Punjab.

During the six days I was in police custody, I was in regular contact with David Edwards, Second Secretary of the Canadian High Commission in New Delhi. Mr. Edwards reassured me that every effort was being made to bring about my release.

Those efforts were discreet and little publicized. Few Canadians know of the considerable, though quiet and careful, diplomatic activity of High Commissioner William Warden during those six days, nor of your own work to see me freed.

I suspect that perhaps because of that, some people who were concerned about my welfare had come to believe that you and members of your Department did not share their concern.

The fact that I was released six days after my arrest for an offense punishable by three years in prison is proof enough of the wisdom and success of the course you chose to follow.

I really cannot thank you enough.

Sincerely, Jonathan Mann."