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Please convey my warm thanks to all at FIRST Magazine for your loyal greetings, sent on the occasion of the publication of an official report to mark the forthcoming State Visit of the President of the People's Republic of China to the United Kingdom.

I look forward to welcoming His Excellency Xi Jinping and to the opportunity which this visit gives us to strengthen the ties that already exist between our two countries.

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