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Michael
Dear Mr. Ballard:

On behalf of the participants and organizers of Rural Development Forum '94 in Brandon, let me say, thank you.

Your presentations to the youth and to the general audience provided a dynamic element to the Forum. You were forthright and inspirational and the members of the audience I spoke to afterward were most complimentary regarding your presentation.

Your participation in Brandon contributed to a new chapter in rural Manitoba. The Forum built upon the first edition a year earlier, and gave participants the terms of reference they need to realize new opportunities in today's world. Your contribution certainly helped in shaping a new attitude.

Once again, thank you, and keep up the fine work.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Len Derkach'.

Len Derkach
Minister