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My Dear Rev. Rajaji,

This is to acknowledge your telegraphic message of congratulations and good wishes on my success in the election. I take that as blessings coming from a veteran patriot who not only fought and sacrificed for the emancipation of the motherland but led the country-men in times of difficulties by pointing out the right path to follow even at the risk of losing popularity. My success was due primarily to the righteousness of the cause for which I stood and to the inexhaustible fund of good will of my friends not only in Vidarbha but through out the country who sincerely wished and earnestly prayed the Almighty for my success. How can I thank them all many of whom were ~~unknown~~ unknown to me? I feel confident that this good will - fund will one day work to bring about a change for the better in the

2 minds of those who happen to hold the
keys of the destiny of the people of Vidarbha
for the time being ^{in their hands}. This force of good will

shall either convert them or displace
them. This is my faith. I may not live
to see it. But I see distinct signs of its
coming. This hopeful vision of the future
will keep the people of Vidarbha to persevere
and persevere ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~spike~~ ⁱⁿ good than in spite
of perverse persecution of them by the
powers that be who are mainly swayed by
sordid motives and bereft of all spiritual
urges and promptings in them. But the
seeds of light are sown in the darkest hour
of midnight. And I believe that even the
Congressmen who are indulging in tall talk
today will feel soon after that the so-called
achievements of their party in the last 15 years
have been more or less illusory and even if there
be some thing ^{stable} found at the bottom it is at an
immense cost to them manhood the qualities
that distinguish man from the rest of the creation
on the face of this earth. So I and my colleagues
in Vidarbha are neither elated by their success
nor depressed by the failure also. Blessings of peace

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like you
patriots give them the inspiration and the
courage for sight and the fortitude to follow
pursue the goal they have been cherishing
and striving for. I am grateful to my friend Mr.
Munshi for his message of congratulation to me.
I regret that Prof Ranga was not
able to pull through and in this time, this
is a big casualty in the camp of your comrades.
I have been reading with great interest the
efforts of ^{what} Mr. Massani has been making to
create a strong & stable position for the Swatantra
Party both in the Parliament and the state
legislatures. The very fact that President Jawaharlal
Nehru has to struggle out the Swatantra party
for a special attack in his electioneering campaign
is proof enough to indicate that the progress
the party has made in the last campaign
has made him restless. It is no longer a
negligible factor but a feature in the presence
position of the Indian public life that has to be

taken note of handled with care &
 caution and ^{now} combatted not by brute
 force but by acute intellectual weapons.
 I have great respect for ^{some of} my colleagues
 in the Congress party for ^{their} genuine patriotism
 and earnestness, but ~~only~~ ^{acute} only a few of
 them are equipped with intelligence
 and clarity of thinking. Such as is seen
 in the articles appearing in the columns of
 Sawney. A good & strong opposition led by
 thinkers who contribute to the columns
 of that paper will then be a great boon
~~even~~ from the point of view of the wider
 interests of the country itself. I some-
 times feel that there ~~is no body in the~~
 are only a few on the Congress benches to
 whom the Prime Minister can confidently
 look for an effective counter attack on
 the opposition in a high level ~~debate~~
 debate if for some urgent reasons he
 himself has to abstain from the house.
 The opposition can take advantage of this
 weakness ~~and~~ the various groups that are
 opposed to the Congress can form a joint or
 combined front in the house. of course in

but of the Nag Vidar the Andolan Samiti
which opposed the Congress party.

I'll inform the speaker to
include me as a member of the
Swatantra party in the New Lok Sabha;
that may happen some time in April next.

All Nag Vidar Sam. candidates
who have succeeded in their election
are going to meet tomorrow to
consider the line they ~~to~~ have to
take. I'll try to sound how many
of them will be willing to join your
group in the Bombay Vidhan Sabha.
There is only one more member besides
myself returned to the Lok Sabha by
the Nag. V. Andolan and the Adivasi Sam
mardal ~~to~~ working together.

I was absent from Nagpur from
4th to 7th. I returned only today at 11.40
from Poon and then found your telegram
reply prepared in the post received.

I don't know whether dear
Narsinhrao is among the successful
candidates to the Lok Sabha this time. He did
his work very well and I think that his
constituency must have reapportioned his
services by re-electing him. His friend
Ramaswami by minister for Railways is

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Such a combination, a group like the Communist party whose loyalty is proved somewhere else outside the Indian nation can have no place. I am afraid there have been unnecessarily long in writing you my acknowledgment of your blessings.

I am in receipt of your second telegram which you sent to remind me of my promise to join your group in the Lok Sabha. I am fully conscious of it and I am proud of being one of them in the near future.

I shall formally sit in the group of the Swatantra party when the new parliament will begin to function after the dissolution of the present Parliament. In the drawing session which begins on 12th and weekend on the 30th of March I'll be on the Congress benches. My membership of the Congress party ends automatically on that day, and begins ~~out~~ I enter the new Lok Sabha as a member elected on the ticket not of the Congress party.

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returned. But I was not able to hear distinctly the name of Narsimhan on the radio when the names of the successful candidates from Madras were announced some time ago.

I am proceeding to Delhi either tomorrow or day-after. If you want to write to me you can send a letter to me on my New Delhi address. It is 161 B. South Avenue New Delhi.

With my kindest regards for you and blessings to all your dear family.

Love
Yours truly
M. S. Aney

P. S. I am sending you back your blank telegraphic form. You can use it for any other purpose.

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My
Thank you for
received your beautiful
and long letter.
I am proud you have decided
to join
in the new
Sunderland
Lark
Lark