using the road.

At the moment the Jarawa cannot control the level of interaction they have with outsiders, because every day hundreds of people travel through their land. Although closing the road, especially the section from Jirkatang to Baratang, will not turn back time, it will allow the Jarawa to decide when and how often they go out of their reserve to interact with outsiders, rather than this contact being imposed upon them.

I urge you to ensure that the Jarawa Policy's principles of maximum autonomy and minimum intervention are fully implemented, and that the Jarawa's land and resources are protected.

Please do let me know if I can be of any assistance in these matters. I would be more than happy to supply further details and examples of positive practice. I do hope that we can stay in touch and work together to ensure a successful future for the Jarawa.

Yours sincerely, '

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