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12th July 1971

Benjamin Britten Esq
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Dear Mr Britten

I am writing on behalf of the London Concord Singers and our Musical Director, Malcolm Cottle, to thank you for your letter of 22nd March and must apologise for the long delay in replying.

Naturally we are very disappointed to learn that you feel that you can no longer remain an honorary Patron of our choir but fully understand your reasons and therefore regrettably have to accept your resignation

We are however very grateful that you have acted as an honorary Patron of the London Concord Singers over the past few years and if we feel that any of our future concerts might be of interest to you we will continue to send you details. In this connection you might be interested to know that we are giving a concert of your music in the Purcell Room on Friday, 3rd March 1972, which will include such items as:

Gloriana Choral Dances
Five Flower Songs
Song Cycle - Winter Words
Canticle II - Abraham and Isaac

We would be pleased to send you a copy of the full programme if you would like to see it.

Thank you again.

Yours sincerely

Mrs P M Cottle
Honorary Secretary
LONDON CONCORD SINGERS

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Mrs. P. M. Cottle,
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23 July, 1971

Dear Mrs. Cottle,

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Britten to thank you for your letter of 12 July. Unfortunately Mr. Britten is unable to reply personally as he is extremely busy at the moment with recording sessions, but he asks me to let you know that he much appreciates your kind and understanding letter.

He would certainly like to be kept in touch with future activities of the London Concord Singers, and would be very pleased to receive a copy of your programme for the concert to be given on March 3rd next year.

Yours sincerely,

Helena R. Lee.

Secretary to Benjamin Britten.