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Dear Mr. Irujo,

It was very kind of you to write me about the election. I appreciate this very much.

It is true Labour did far better than anticipated and has reason to be proud of obtaining a record poll and the largest number of votes of any party even after six years of power. That is not good enough and as you say the electoral system is responsible, but its rough justice is better than tampering with it.

It would be hypocritical of me not to admit that I regret leaving the Foreign Office and not least because I shall no longer be there to watch over the interests of the "good" Spaniards.

Best wishes from us both

Yours sincerely,

Permite-me que te felicite por el triunfo social
 del partido laborista. Conservar y mejorar la votación
 anterior en las presentes circunstancias, es un triunfo
 notorio. ^{Ver en especial a la victoria laborista.} Lo cierto es liberal. Los votos liberales ~~son~~
^{de este país} han ^{dad} la victoria a los Tories. Con menos votos han
~~se~~ obtenido mas puestos en la Cámara. En esto ya
 no puedo opinar. El cosa de los ingleses, empeñados
 en ir por la izquierda, boicotean al sistema
 métrico-decimal y hacen elecciones por distritos.
 Pero a mi no se me ha olvidado que votar por
 Churchill es votar por Franco.