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An Open Letter to Rishi Sunak

My dear fellow Indian, Rishi Sunak!

Greetings from India, from a foreigner but turned out to be an Indian because of my marriage.

First of all accept my hearty congratulations on being elected as the leader of the Conservative Party and Prime Minster of the United Kingdom. Though you have immigrant roots from India, the great British people have accepted you as their Prime Minister.

What could I say? Is it your career abilities as an efficient politician or the magnanimity and openness of the British people that helped you to achieve this great position?

I was born in Italy and brought up in the Roman Catholic religion and still practicing it. The deep committed love to my lover Rajiv Gandhi led me into a married life with him and I became a full-fledged Indian, an Indian wife and an Indian mother. After the demise of my husband in 1991 who was the Prime Minister of India at that time, I had all the legal, political and conventional rights to become the Prime Minister of India. However the external pressures from the *hinduththuva* policies of Baratiya Janata Party and the internal pressures from some of the Indo-fanatics of the Congress Party, I could not sworn in as Prime Minister of India with the whole hearted cooperation. As a gentlewoman from the Italian-Christian tradition, I tacitly declined to accept the Prime Minister post at that time in order not to put my beloved husband's patria into confusion. I should have become India's first Roman Catholic Prime Minister if the fanatic and fundamentalist *hinduththuva* corrupted diplomacies had not played tricky politics.

In your case, your ancestors left India because of the economic poverty and caste oppression from the Brahmanic *hinduththuva* elite. But the Great Britain accepted, accommodated and gave your ancestors a prosperous life, though they were Hindus and Indians. You who come from such Hindu and Indian background have now been accepted by the British people as their Prime Minister. Your country was a colony of Britain - an empire on which the sun never set at one time - and you who come from such a colony have been authorized to rule your colonized masters.

How this has happened? It is because of the generosity, magnanimity and greatness of the British people who were permeated by the Christian tradition. The British people who are traditionally Christians did not make any opposition when you assumed your duties with all the Hindu rites and rituals. Can you imagine this in any of the countries or institutions where Hindus are dominating? Can any Christian or non-Hindu become the leader or head of any country or organizations where Hindus are found majority? I, because of my Italian nationality and Roman Catholic religiosity was indirectly rejected by your patria to be a leader.

I am writing this not to put you into shame or awkwardness. I see some of the *hinduththuva* fanatics from all over the world are sending venomous applause at your success saying that a 'Hindu' is ruling a Christian kingdom and a 'colonized' is ruling the 'colonizer'. This is not the real fact Rishi. Your people must understand the greatness of the British people who were formed into gentlemen by Christianity. Indian and other *hinduththuva* dominated regions must learn from the British people how to accommodate other religions and peoples. Pass this message to your kith and kin and encourage them to be really humans.

Wish you all the best in ruling the Great Britain! I will surely meet you when I visit my alma mater in Cambridge.

Your Fellow Indian,

Sonia Gandhi