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Dear Marilyn,

This is just to put on paper what I would have said publicly on Tuesday if David Holloway had not said it - viz: that we are all greatly indebted to you for the hard work you put into the organising of the Booker Prize and the prizegiving reception. Virtually the entire burden of it fell upon you and, because of the nature of the thing (not to mention the people concerned!) it cannot have been an easy task. I think you managed it all wonderfully well and I bet you are relieved that it is all over. I also bet that it won't be long before George Hardinge starts fussing about making arrangements for the next one. Never mind - and meanwhile enjoy the sense of a job well done.

Yours,



P.S. Now I am fussing. I suppose someone should write to Jennie Lee to thank her for performing the presentation ceremony. Should Booker do this, or should we?

P.P.S. Have spoken to Antonia F. Don't bother to ring her. Will tell you about it tomorrow if possible

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