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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Sarina, Leah and ^{the} England TEAM,

On behalf of the whole country, I want to wish you all the very best of luck in today's final.

Your passion for the game, your tenacity in tricky spots and above all your astounding talent on the pitch have already created a summer of fantastic memories for millions of us.

You can see it in the sold-out stadia, in the packed fan zones, in the small children dancing wildly to Sweet Caroline and the TV viewing figures that have seen records crumbling almost as comprehensively as Sweden's defence did in the semi-final.

In any pride it is the lionesses who ruthlessly hunt as a team and bring their prize back home, and I am sure that will be the case against Germany.

But whatever happens at Wembley this evening, I know that, come tomorrow morning, the pitches and playgrounds and parks of this country will be filled as never before with girls and women who know beyond any shadow of a doubt that football is not just for boys - it really is for anyone.

That is all down to you and what you have already achieved. And so, when the referee's whistle blows tonight, I hope that you are every bit as proud of yourselves as England is of you.

Good luck to you all!

Ms Sarina Wiegman