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Paul and Fiona Adler
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Dear Paul and Fiona

Through your brother and brother-in-law, Damien Adler, I was pleased to learn that you are close to reaching the summit of Mount Everest.

Since Edmund Hillary first scaled the world's highest mountain more than half a century ago, only a relatively small number of elite mountaineers have emulated that remarkable feat.

You should both be immensely proud of your achievements. To conquer the extremity of the natural elements must require great determination, resilience and skill.

Janette and I join your family and friends in wishing you well in the days ahead as you attempt to become the first Australian couple to reach the peak together.

All the very best for a safe climb.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'John Howard' in a cursive style.

(John Howard)