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Prime Minister

Agree to send to attached
message.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

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4 June, 1982

Dear John,

/ We have received the attached telegram to the Prime Minister from Mr Lavity Stoutt, the Chief Minister of the British Virgin Islands, assuring Her Majesty's Government of the support of his Government and people in the Falklands dispute.

/ We recommend that a reply should be sent from the Prime Minister through the Governor. A draft is enclosed.

Yours ever,

(F N Richards)
Private Secretary

A J Coles Esq
Private Secretary
10 Downing Street

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10 1. Grateful if you would pass following message to Chief
11 Minister from Prime Minister.
12 2. Begins: I am most grateful to you and to the Government and
13 people of the British Virgin Islands for your message of
14 solidarity and support. Deeply as we regret the present tragic
15 conflict in the South Atlantic, we firmly believe in the need to
16 uphold the principles of international law and of the United
17 Nations. Our resolve to do so has been greatly strengthened by
18 the support we have received, particularly from Commonwealth
19 countries and dependencies. Ends.
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MAY PLEASE PAS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER FROM
CHIEF MINISTER R L STOUTT REGINS ARGENTINE AGGRESSION ON
BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS I
WISH TO ASSURE HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT OF

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OUR DEEP AND SINCERE FEELINGS OF SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT
IN YOUR DIFFICULT STRUGGLE AGAINST THE ARGENTINE AGGRESSION IN
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS. WE SHARE YOUR GRIEF AT THE TRAGIC LOSS
OF LIVES AND PRAY THAT THE FAIR AND JUST SETTLEMENT OF THE
CONFLICT FOR WHICH YOU ARE STRIVING WILL BE VERY
SOON ACHIEVED. END
BAR HICK

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