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## FALKLAND ISLANDS

1. At a meeting with the Secretary of State and Mr Luce this morning the following points emerged for action:

- i. The department should draft and submit urgently a message from Mr Luce to Mr Ros along the lines of the draft below but shorter and more vigorous. I would be available to discuss the wording of this with you. At the same time a draft message from the Secretary of State to the Argentine Foreign Minister should be submitted: this would urge the Minister to get the talks back on the rails on the lines agreed in New York (the idea of this second message is Mr Luce's and has not yet received the Secretary of State's concurrence);
- ii. The department should draft and submit a short personal message from the Secretary of State to Mr Haig referring to the recent assurances given by Mr Enders to Mr Luce that the US Government would use their influence with Argentina to urge moderate and peaceful policies regarding the Falklands. The drafting of this should be in conjunction with the Private Office as the intention is that this message should reach Mr Haig simultaneously with others relating to matters where we are helping the Americans;
- iii. The department should prepare a short note for the Secretary of State (to be submitted through me) on where we stand regarding UN Resolutions on the Falklands, ie what has been resolved by the Fourth Committee, Committee of 24, General Assembly, etc. Thereafter the department should consider what initiative we might ourselves take in the UN if the present negotiations break down;
- iv. The Secretary of State has in mind that he will wish to take this whole subject to OD fairly soon - probably as soon as we have the Argentine response to the messages described in (i) above. He therefore thinks that work should be started on preparing an OD paper; meanwhile, Mr Wade-Gery in the Cabinet Office has said that the Prime Minister would like the next OD paper on the Falklands to include

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Annexes on both civil and military contingency plans  
for counter-action against Argentina.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J B Ure', written in a cursive style.

J B Ure

5 March 1982