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Am I the right person to do it?
I shouldn't like to intrude any
political element into this service.
no.

Dear Caroline,

FALKLAND ISLANDS SERVICE

As I mentioned to you over the telephone, it has been suggested that the Prime Minister and the Chief of the Defence Staff might say farewell to HM The Queen after the Falkland Islands Service on Monday 26th July.

I should be grateful if you would ask the Prime Minister whether she would be willing to do this. If she were, arrangements would simply be made for her and for the CDS to leave their seats ahead of The Queen and Prince Philip so as to be in position at the West Door to bid them farewell at the end of the Service.

Yours ever,
Jane Ridley

Miss Stephenson.

The Prime Minister has come this morning with the CDS, they have said we are concerned that it would be all right for her to do what the MOD are proposing. Can you let them know pl.

(JANE RIDLEY)(MISS)

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Miss C Stephenson