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PRIME MINISTER

Falkland Islands Review

The two attached files contain, in chronological order, all the papers on the Falkland Islands which you saw between May 1979 and 2 April 1982.

Almost all of these documents will be duplicated in the collections of papers which will be submitted to the Franks Committee by the FCO, MOD and Cabinet Office. For this reason I see little point in our sending these papers formally to the Secretary of the Committee, as the other Departments concerned will be doing. What I should prefer to do, if you agree, is to invite Mr. Rawsthorne to come over and read through these two files. If he then wished to show them to Lord Franks, he should be free to do so.

Are you content that we should proceed in this way?

Yes - but note of 2 meetings missing

① 31 March don't know where John Nott came in with the case files - in my room at the time

② held 1 April - my P.C. returned from noon at home with information who had just

W.H. P.C. in N. Zealand

visited by Robert Hunt

to meet

discuss with the (non-Minister) explained that we discuss at the time not to write records of these meetings because:

a. the products of the meeting on 31 March were a message to Pommeroy's Report which is on the file and a number of operational decisions which the MOD took action on at once; and

b. the meeting on 1 April with the Foreign Secretary was a recapitulation of events to bring him up to date on his return from South America and address nothing new. The Prime Minister said she was content. 14/7/82