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From the Private Secretary

## Official Despatch on the Falklands Operation

The Prime Minister has seen your Secretary of State's minute of 19 November covering a despatch by Admiral Fieldhouse on the conduct of the military operation in the South Atlantic.

I understand from the Cabinet Office (Richard Hatfield's minute of 26 November) that certain amendments are being suggested to Admiral Fieldhouse. On the assumption that he finds these acceptable, the Prime Minister is content that the despatch should be published at the same time as the Falklands White Paper.

I am sending copies of this letter to the Private Secretaries to the Members of OD and to Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

HJC

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