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Your High Commissioner has conveyed to me your assurance that New Zealand will vote alongside the United Kingdom when the question of the Falkland Islands is debated at this year's United Nations General Assembly. I should like to thank you and your colleagues most warmly for this decision which I know cannot have been entirely easy to you. It reflects the unique mutual loyalty on which our relations rest. And it will be of great reassurance to New Zealand's countless friends in this country. We shall of course honour your request to keep your undertaking confidential for the time being.

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The Hon. David Lange, M.P.