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John Major

You will doubtless have thought of this, but I see a chance of turning Grenada to real advantage at the Commonwealth Conference.

It is clear that we can no longer protect our ex-colonial territories. It is equally obvious that the U.N. cannot do so either.

Could you not launch the positive proposal that each Commonwealth region should organise its own collective Security Force? Canada and the Caribbean; Australia and New Zealand and the South Pacific Islands; Singapore and Malasia and Brunei; India and general supervision of the Indian Ocean; and the U.K. ready to help if required.

The timing seems right. It would lead the Commonwealth away from post-mortems to the future, and would I feel be hailed with enthusiasm here.

Geoffrey seemed to hint at something like this, but a positive proposal could to advantage be put on the table for all to see.

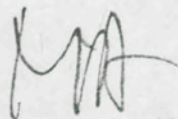
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Prime Minister

With typical modesty, Alec Home wrote to me, enclosing the attached letter for you, on the grounds that he did not want to trouble you.

I am sure you will want to ponder Alec's constructive ideas for CHOGM.



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Grenada: Implications for Small Countries

The Prime Minister has asked that the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary should see the enclosed copy of a letter which she has received from Lord Home. I imagine that the problem of small territories is being covered in the briefing for CHOGM.

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