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FALKLAND: SECURITY COUNCIL

1. I submit:

- (a) a draft telegram to Sir A Parsons; and
- (b) a draft message from the Prime Minister to President Mitterrand. Mr Luce and the PUS have seen and agreed.

2. The Prime Minister has already sent a message of thanks to King Hussein. Posts in other Security Council capitals which supported us have also been instructed to express appreciation.

3. Sir A Parsons' reporting telegrams are attached.

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FALKLAND ISLANDS

Please pass the following message from the Prime Minister to President Mitterand.

Begins:

Dear Mr President

I am most grateful to you for telephoning me yesterday to confirm France's support for us in the crisis created by the Argentine invasion of the Falkland Islands. Your support in the Security Council has been invaluable and the influence you were good enough to exert on our behalf with Zaire and Togo was indispensable to the adoption of our draft Resolution calling for immediate Argentine withdrawal.

We are urgently considering other ways in which our allies may be able to help us in our efforts to resolve this crisis. ~~by peaceful means and will continue to work in close consultation with your Government.~~ Your personal support is a great encouragement.

Yours sincerely , Margaret Thatcher

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2-3 very much appreciated for thoughtfulness and kindness in telephoning me personally. It was such a warm gesture. One does need friends in these times like this.