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Dear Idun,

Falkland Islands: The Australian Prime Minister

You will have seen Canberra telno 155 reporting Mr Fraser's concern about the US attitude and his offer to weigh in with the Americans. Mr Pym thinks that there might be advantage in this. I enclose a draft reply to Canberra which we will despatch if the Prime Minister agrees.

attached.

Yours ever

(J E Holmes)
Private Secretary

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9	AND REPEATED FOR INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON
10	YOUR TELNO 155: FALKLAND ISLANDS: THE AUSTRALIAN PRIME
11	MINISTER
12	1. Please tell Mr Fraser that the Prime Minister and I are
13	most grateful for this further offer to help, which we would
14	like to accept. You should say that a prod to Reagan might
15	well be useful, although we have received some encouraging
16	indications both about Haig's own views and about what he has
17	said to the Argentines. A message from Mr Fraser, to be
18	effective, would ^{probably} have to be fairly blunt (while being careful
19	to avoid appearing to gang up on the Americans). Our main
20	concern is to keep up the pressure on the Argentines, a process
21	to which ^{we believe} the Americans can contribute enormously ^{make a major contribution} , despite
22	Haig's current mediatory role. You should also of course make
23	clear that we are very appreciative of Haig's efforts so far.
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