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Mr Fearn - SAmD

Falkland Islands

Mr Haig telephoned the Secretary of State on an open line at 1740 on 19 April. He said that he wanted to let us know in advance that he was sending a flash message to us containing the full text of the results of his talks in Buenos Aires, together with his own analysis in order "to assist our assessment". He would be guided by our response on this, which he hoped to receive as soon as possible. He expected to take off from Buenos Aires at 1600 local time, heading tentatively for Washington, but the direction of his flight would be subject to our advice. He hoped that we would read his message very carefully.

The Secretary of State said that we were grateful for all Mr Haig's efforts and would consider his message when it arrived as soon as we possibly could. He asked what Mr Haig intended to say, if anything, at Buenos Aires airport. Mr Haig replied that he would say only that he had now completed this stage of his discussions.

J. E. Holmes

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Private Secretary

19 April 1982

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