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PRIME MINISTER'S
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TO IMMEDIATE DAKAR
TELEGRAM NUMBER 56 OF 24 APR

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1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME
MINISTER TO PRESIDENT DIOUF.

BEGINS:

DEAR PRESIDENT DIOUF

I SHOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY VERY SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR ALL THE
HELP YOU ARE PROVIDING TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT DURING THESE
DIFFICULT TIMES. THE ASSISTANCE WHICH YOU AND YOUR
GOVERNMENT ARE GIVING IN ALLOWING RAF AIRCRAFT TO USE YOFF AIR-
PORT IS MOST DEEPLY APPRECIATED.

I AM ALSO GRATEFUL FOR THE MEASURE OF SUPPORT WHICH YOUR
GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN IN CONDEMNING THE ACT OF AGGRESSION BY
THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT, WHICH WAS SO CLEARLY EXPRESSED IN THE
SECURITY COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION NO 502. YOUR GOVERNMENT'S
ACTIONS IN THIS MATTER ARE A POSITIVE EXPRESSION OF THE WELL-
KNOWN PRINCIPLES OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT, ITS ADHERENCE TO
THE UN CHARTER, ITS STAND ON THE NON-ACQUISITION OF TERRITORIES
BY FORCE AND ON THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES, AND THE
EXERCISE OF THE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION OF ALL PEOPLES.

YOURS SINCERELY,

MARGARET THATCHER

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2. PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN MESSAGE HAS BEEN PASSED.

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