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17 May, 1982

Dear John,

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EC Import Embargo

I attach a brief which the Prime Minister could use in talking on the telephone to Mr Haughey, as recommended by my Secretary of State (Luxembourg telegram number 134).

I am copying this letter to David Hancock in the Cabinet Office.

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Private Secretary

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EC IMPORT EMBARGO: TALK WITH MR HAUGHEY

POINTS TO MAKE

1. Seriously concerned at implications of continuing deadlock in Community on renewal of embargo. Recognise special Irish position given its membership of Security Council, and strength of Irish feeling on neutrality and saving life.
2. But embargo is not simply reinforcing the effect of military measures. Our priority peaceful settlement if humanly possible. Of vital importance that European partners seen to be behind us in this.
3. Clear that Argentina was shaken by prompt and unequivocal European condemnation of its aggression. To fail to back this up with sustained pressure would send the Junta disastrous message at this critical stage in New York. It would stiffen Argentine intransigence, and set back prospects for negotiated settlement. Could well cost many lives.
4. Know how difficult it is for Ireland to support renewal. But appeal to Mr Haughey's statesmanship to recognise scale of what is at stake - prospects for peace, and credibility of Europe.
5. (If CAP/Mandate comes up) Understand how important CAP prices are for Irish. But current price fixing will add substantially to our net contribution. Doing everything in our power to reach an agreement which will enable price fixing to go ahead. But this does not depend on us alone.

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FALKLANDS: IRISH ATTITUDE

1. AFTER LAST NIGHT'S MINISTERIAL MEETING WE RECEIVED ANOTHER HINT, FROM THE SAME WELL PLACED AND VERY WELL DISPOSED IRISH SOURCE AS LAST TIME, THAT THE IRISH POSITION MIGHT CHANGE IF THE PRIME MINISTER WERE TO MAKE A PERSONAL TELEPHONE CALL TO HAUGHEY. THE SOURCE (PLEASE PROTECT) REFERRED TO HAUGHEY'S VANITY. HE THOUGHT THAT IF THE PRIME MINISTER COULD ONLY PUT THE SITUATION TO HIM IN THE RIGHT WORDS, THIS MIGHT DO THE TRICK. THE SECRETARY OF STATE IS AWARE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER DECIDED AGAINST TELEPHONING HAUGHEY YESTERDAY, BUT STRONGLY ADVISES THAT SHE SHOULD DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TODAY.

THOMAS

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