

18 June 1982

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of 28 June enclosing a letter to her from the former Prime Minister, Mr. Takeo Fukuda. She was most grateful for Mr. Fukuda's comments on the Falkland Islands situation and was sorry not to have been able to meet him during his visit to London.

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His Excellency Mr. Tsuyoshi Hirahara

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EMBASSY OF JAPAN
UNITED KINGDOM

London, 18th June 1982

~~Prime Minister~~
I have acknowledged.

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Dear Prime Minister,

I am asked to deliver the enclosed letter to you by former Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda, Special Envoy of the Japanese Government, who was passing through London on his way back from Saudi Arabia.

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Yours sincerely,

Tsuyoshi Hirahara
Ambassador

The Rt.Hon. Margaret Thatcher, MP,
Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury,
10, Downing Street,
London, S.W.1.

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Dear Mrs Thatcher

As I pass through London on my way back from Saudi Arabia, I wish to let it be known to you how deeply I sympathize with you in your difficulties over the Falkland Islands. Above all, I want to express my deep admiration for your determined leadership. I sincerely hope that a ceasefire be achieved as promptly as possible thus enabling a process for normalization to be effected.

Although I am refraining from seeking an opportunity to meet you on this occasion, I wish you every success. I am looking forward to seeing you before too long.

Sincerely yours *Takeo Fukuda*

TAKEO FUKUDA

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