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LE SECRÉTAIRE GÉNÉRAL  
SECRETARY GENERAL

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*Dear Prime Minister,*

Back in Brussels from a weeklong stay in the United States, I am writing in order to express to you my immense respect for the splendid victory of the British Armed Forces in the South Atlantic.

It was a perfect operation carried out with extraordinary skill and speed to the great admiration of all the NATO military experts and non-experts like myself. Great Britain has set an example to the world and has greatly enhanced the credibility of NATO. No wonder that the prestige of the United Kingdom has soared sky high. Your strong, firm, undaunted leadership is, as everyone knows, at the root of this tremendous success.

*With great respect and  
warm personal regards,  
I remain,*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Joseph Luns*

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