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Civil Commissioner, Falkland Islands

I enclose a copy of a message which the Prime Minister has received from the members of the Falkland Islands Executive and Legislative Councils asking that Sir Rex Hunt should, on completion of his tour of duty, and after leave, return to his post.

I should be grateful for a draft reply for my signature on behalf of the Prime Minister.

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TO: THE HON THE PRIME MINISTER
10 DOWNING STREET - LONDON

FROM: ALL THE FALKLAND ISLANDS' MEMBERS OF
EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS

DEAR PRIME MINISTER,

WE WISH TO PLACE ON RECORD OUR OPINION THAT A CHANGE
IN CIVIL COMMISSIONER AT THIS TIME WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE.
WITH CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION AHEAD, POSSIBLE
RENEWED CONTACTS BETWEEN HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT AND
ARGENTINA TO IMPROVE THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONS EXPECTED,
WE FEEL IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE OF
THE FALKLANDS, THAT WE HAVE SOMEONE, AS CIVIL COMMISSIONER,
WE KNOW AND TRUST IN POST.

WE THEREFORE ASK THAT SIR REX HUNT, WHO WE UNDERSTAND
COMPLETES HIS TOUR OF DUTY SHORTLY, RETURN TO POST AFTER
LEAVE, FOR A FURTHER PERIOD TO COVER THESE CHANGES.

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WELL RECEIVED PLEASE ++

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