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From the Private Secretary

22 March 1984

Dear Councillors,

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your recent message expressing your confidence and trust in Sir Rex Hunt as Civil Commissioner. The Prime Minister was grateful for your message and will be taking it fully into account in reaching a decision on how long Sir Rex should stay in Port Stanley. She also agrees with your view that the Civil Commissioner must be someone who is able to gain the confidence of the people of the Falklands. We shall be in direct touch with Sir Rex Hunt about his future in due course.

Your sincerely

A J. Gles.

The Members of the Falkland Islands Executive and Legislative
Councils

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PRIME MINISTER

I attach a message which the Falkland Islands Councillors have sent to you about Sir Rex Hunt, together with a reply which I would send in your name. Agree reply?

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22 March 1984

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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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YES OK KKK

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