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From the Private Secretary

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Dear Stephen.

ANGLO-ARGENTINE TALKS: DEFENCE ISSUES

This is to confirm what I told you this morning: the Prime Minister agrees that Sir Crispin Tickell should be given discretion to respond positively to both the proposals put forward by the Argentines affecting the FIPZ. Her own view is that it might be best to accept the Argentine proposal to dispense with notification for civil vessels, while keeping the proposed alignment of the FIPZ with the FICZ in reserve for later. But if Sir Crispin Tickell judges that he needs to deploy both concessions now, then he has authority to do so.

I am copying this letter to Brian Hawtin (Ministry of Defence) and Trevor Woolley (Cabinet Office).

Yours sincerely,
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