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## NOTE OF A TALK BETWEEN THE CHANCELLOR AND THE GOVERNOR AT NO.11 DOWNING STREET AT 10 AM ON 30 APRIL

In a general review of market developments during the Falklands crisis, the Governor pointed out that interest rates were now back very close to the levels obtaining at the beginning of April, with the yield curve again satisfactory, that equities were above their 1 April level, though gilts had not fully recovered from the first tall, and that the sterling/dollar rate had now come back above the 1 April level, though sterling had fallen against the deutschemark. On balance, this situation was better than might have been expected, though it remained fragile, and could deteriorate rapidly in the event of dramatic, and not immediately successful, action in the Falklands.

- 2. The Governor referred to a report that the Haig proposals might be published shortly, and might contain some reference to ex/im credits. He was not sure whether it would be wise for us to press the Americans to impose financial sanctions against the Argentine. Clearly there would be strong political and strategic arguments for encouraging the Americans to take dramatic action: but the economic arguments might go the other way, given the damage to the world banking system which might be done. Throwing in the kitchen sink was all very well, but one had to live tomorrow, and would need to be able to use the kitchen. The Chancellor took note.
- 3. The Governor mentioned conflicting rumours about Venezuela moving money out of London; and reminded the Chancellor that total outstanding loans to Venezuela from all sources greatly exceeded outstanding loans to Eastern Europe. He also mentioned that Lloyds Bank International were pressing their consortium partners for payment of sums due to them but blocked by the Argentine. He thought it right that they should assert their claims: the Chancellor agreed.

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4. The Governor mentioned that a further loan to Hungary was under consideration. The Italians, Japanese, and Swedes, who had not participated in the first loan, might take part in this one, perhaps to the tune of 50 per cent. The Bank would envisage taking their share of the other 50 per cent - which might amount to some \$10 million.

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5. The Governor and the Chancellor agreed that it would be appropriate for them to meet on 7 May to compare notes on what should be said to Regan over that weekend, and during the following week.

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