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I must write to you to say that I saw your "Falklands Special" programme on BBC I on 15 June, and I thought that that part of it which dealt with intelligence gathering in relation to the Falklands war was shockingly irresponsible. It would have been so at any time, but it was particularly so at a time when it was not clear whether there was to be a complete cessation of hostilities in the South Atlantic. We still have no answer from Argentina on that, and you should be in no doubt that, if she continues hostilities from the mainland, the success of our operations and the lives of our servicemen may well be significantly prejudiced by what was contained in that programme.

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