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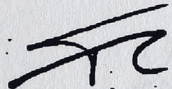
As you know the Prime Minister approved the Order in Council being put forward to convey the acquisition of shipping.

2. There are two points which concern her:

a. if it is possible - and she is aware it may not be - she would prefer the news to break via Parliament;

b. she would like to feel that the crew of Canberra (and their Unions) would not be a problem. Would the Goans be a special problem either individually or with India?

3. Please answer, after consultation, back to the Secretary of State's office.



4th April 1982

Frank Cooper