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TO FLASH WASHINGTON

TELEGRAM NUMBER 638 OF 5 APRIL

MESSAGE TO MR HAIG

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM LORD CARRINGTON  
TO MR HAIG AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BEGINS

DEAR AL, AS YOU KNOW, THE ARGENTINE INVASION OF THE FALKLAND  
ISLANDS HAS BEEN DEEPLY FELT IN THIS COUNTRY AND I HAVE THOUGHT IT  
RIGHT RESIGN AS SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH  
AFFAIRS.

BUT BEFORE LEAVING THIS OFFICE, I SHOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW  
HOW GRATEFUL I HAVE BEEN FOR OUR CLOSE PARTNERSHIP AND FRIENDSHIP  
OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS. I HAVE PARTICULARLY VALUED YOUR STRONG AND  
ENERGETIC SUPPORT OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS.

I KNOW THAT MY SUCCESSOR WILL LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING AS CLOSELY  
WITH YOU, AND WILL RELY AS MUCH ON YOUR ADVICE AND HELP, AS I  
HAVE DONE.

YOURS EVER, PETER

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CARRINGTON

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