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Dog Buz:

I was very touched to receive your very kind Easter note. Every message of support we receive is greatly welcomed and, I believe, adds to the strength of the British cause in (as you so rightly put it) this foolish crisis. Very many thanks indeed for your thought and your generous offer.

Time is passing and the Task Force is pressing on; we all ardently share your hope that bloodshed be avoided but do not let the Argentines underestimate our resolve or determination:

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Dear Admiral Lewin.

Just a note to pay that you have been much in our thoughts all prayer since the falklande have been bo much in the new. We know the importance of your advice to the government and haduship to the forcer, therefore, we are confident in the weather sutcome of

This foolish crisis. agroacher, me all hope bat bloodslud can be avoided, but we admine the spirit with which you have undutaken The bold initiative, and we write you every Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.
With way good with - Buz Baxter