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*Dear Francis,*

My Secretary of State would be very grateful if you could arrange for the following personal message to be sent by telegram to HM Ambassador Washington, in preparation for next week's NATO Ministerials:

"Dear Nicko, I should very much welcome your personal assessment of Cap Weinberger's attitude to the Falklands crisis and to British military operations. How far do you think he would wish to go in supporting us? I shall probably be seeing Cap in Brussels next week and before then I should like to have your reading of him. Yours ever, John"

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