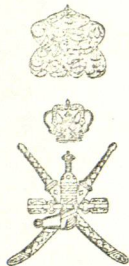


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PRIME MINISTER'S  
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PERSONAL.

Dear Friend,

It is with sorrow we have noted the events in the British Falkland Islands in recent days. Such an unfortunate problem occurring at a time when you felt your Government was on the way to success, particularly with regard to its financial strategy, must be a great blow to you. We are sending you, therefore, this personal note to convey our sympathy, best wishes and support.

We are particularly concerned for your well-being, whilst the memory of our most enjoyable visit to the United Kingdom is still very fresh. We are aware of how much you personally did in order to achieve the success of that visit. We feel, therefore, that you richly deserve a satisfactory outcome to this disturbing and uncalled for incident. We pray that you and your Government, the British people and particularly any of those in the Armed Forces who may be called upon to fight, will have God's blessing and strength of purpose.

We wish also to be remembered to your family, who, we know, must be of great help to you at this time during these difficulties. We send you every good wish and assurances that our thoughts are with you.

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The Rt. Honourable Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, MP.,  
Prime Minister.