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Jean Prime Minister

It was a lovely idea of yours to give that wonderful party and invite many of those involved in the Falklands Victory, both at the 'Sharp end' and in the 'backroom'.

Thank you both very much indeed for hosting such a happy occasion, in which you gave much pleasure to many who never would have the opportunity of being in the historic rooms of Downing Street and seeing where history is made.

It was splendid to see so many of the Captains and Commanders

, who performed with such distinction  
and gallantry in the  
test of battle, such home safely  
and reunited with their wives; and  
in your super speed, you paid fitting  
tribute to them as you did to  
Terry who deserves so well of all  
us and <sup>who</sup> with you, was the main  
architect of victory.

You certainly have marvellous  
Armed Forces as you are the fruit  
of recognition. It will be up to us  
to do all I can to keep them like  
that.

Again many thanks for a marvellous  
evening and for your great kindness and  
thoughtfulness, amidst all your preoccupations,  
in thinking of the idea and arranging it all.

Your sincerely  
D. W. Bramat