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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Giles,

I am writing to let you know how sorry I was to hear of your daughter's death in the Falkland Islands. I share your grief.

It was courageous of Susan and Stephen to have remained in Stanley with their charges, and it is tragic and ironic that Susan was killed so soon before victory had been achieved. I was also very sorry to hear of Stephen's injuries and hope that he makes as speedy a recovery as possible.

I believe she had a great love for the Falkland Islands and I hope it will be of some comfort to you to know that Susan's work as a teacher both in the Falkland Islands and when she was a volunteer in Nigeria was widely appreciated. She will be much missed by those who knew her for her infectious enthusiasm and hard work.

Please pass on to Stephen and to the other relatives my deepest sympathy.

Mr and Mrs D.A.S. Giles

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

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