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THE PRIME MINISTER

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"La Captain Young

My visit to the Falkland Islands has provided me with many unforgettable memories. One which will always stand out among them is my reception on board HMS ANTRIM in San Carlos Bay in sparkling sunshine. We remembered together ANTRIM's role in different circumstances, in the recapture of South Georgia and in the Falklands campaign itself. Now you are defending the peace and freedom of the Falkland Islands and we all have the greatest confidence in the skills and determination of those whom you command. Please pass to all of them my thanks for their splendid work.

Thank you for the warmth of my reception, for a delightful luncheon and for your gifts which I shall always treasure.

My best wishes,

Captain B.G. Young, D.S.O., R.N.