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THE PRIME MINISTER

17 January 1983

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Than Nick.

I am sending you with this letter a copy of the report of the Falkland Islands Review Committee under the chairmanship of Lord Franks. The report is to be published tomorrow afternoon, Tuesday, 18 January, when I hope to make a statement in the House of Commons. The report will not be released to the press in advance of my statement, and I would therefore ask you to treat it as sent to you on a strictly personal and confidential basis.

Lower Mayard

The Hon. Nicholas Ridley, M.P.