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Arme Minister

I am writing to thank you very much for the splendid dinner and reception last Monday night. Both my wife and I were honoured to be invited and enjoyed it very much.

None of us, on the ground in the Falklands, of whatever rank, ever had any doubts or worries about the hand on the helm back at home. I think that you saw on Tuesday the depth of respect and, if I may say so, affection which we have for you.

Ymil sincerely Julian Thompson