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PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
SERIAL No. T 72c/82

YOUR TELNO 112 OF 13 APRIL: NEW ZEALAND ECONOMIC MEASURES AGAINST ARGENTINA

1. Please pass the following message from the Prime Minister to Mr Muldoon.

BEGINS

Dear Rob,

I have just heard the announcement of your economic measures against Argentina and I wanted you to know that I am profoundly grateful for your ready and <sup>robust</sup> timely support. The measures you have announced, together with similar action taken by others, are of the utmost importance in maintaining pressure on the Argentines to reach a peaceful solution and to withdraw from the Falkland Islands in compliance with Security Council Resolution 502. This remains our firm objective, with US help, but we cannot of course allow the Argentines to get away with what they have done. I hope we can stay in close touch.

*Everyone in Britain is thrilled by your staunch swift support.*

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With sincere good wishes.  
 Yours ever      Margaret Thatcher  
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Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

13 April 1982

Dear John,

Yes - as amended

Prime Minister  
Content that message be  
despatched?

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Falkland Islands: New Zealand Economic Measures against Argentina

Mr Muldoon announced further measures against the Argentine government on 13 April. They include a ban on all imports and exports to Argentina, a ban on the supply of arms and other military material and the end of export guarantee facilities. These measures follow the earlier break in diplomatic relations and ban on Argentine airlines.

A message of thanks from the Prime Minister to Mr Muldoon would be appropriate. I enclose a draft in the form of a telegram to Wellington.

Yours ever

J E Holmes

(J E Holmes)  
Private Secretary