



**PRIME MINISTER**

FOR MEDIA

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MESSAGE FROM MRS THATCHER

The Prime Minister today received the following message from Mrs Thatcher:

"I have just heard of your announcement of your Government's support for a National Appeal in Australia to assist families of British servicemen who have suffered in the Falkland Islands dispute, and Falkland Islanders who might be in severe hardship as a result of the dispute. I would like to say how much I appreciate this and how grateful we all are for your Government's contribution to the Appeal. We have all been much encouraged by the support and solidarity shown by the Australian Government and people in this tragic conflict."

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