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MR. ATTFIELD,  
CABINET OFFICE.

Prime Minister's Visit to the Falklands: 7/13 January 1983

I understand that members of the Prime Minister's party who visited the Falklands last month are entitled to subsistence allowances, as detailed in Mike Hall's letter to me of 10 February (a copy of which I attach for reference).

I should, therefore, be grateful if you would arrange for payment to be made to the following people at No.10:

Prime Minister The Rt. Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher	£44.10
Mr. F.E.R. Butler	£44.10
Mr. A.J. Coles	£44.10
Mr. B. Ingham	£44.10
Mr. A. Logan	£44.10

Mr. Thatcher does not wish to claim on this occasion and I understand that separate arrangements have already been made for Admiral Sir John Fieldhouse.

A. Logan  
Duty Clerk

11 February 1983

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Mr. Butler

Mr. Loper

I too am happy about this.

2. Mr. Thatcher will probably not

want any submissions - Mr. Loper

Done  
to

to deal with Caroline please.

3. Robin - how much do I owe  
you? Document.  $\frac{14}{2}$ .

A. J. C.  $\frac{14}{2}$ .




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MR LOGAN

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE  
FALKLANDS: 7/13 JANUARY 1983

Thank you for your minute of 11 February.

The multiple claim for subsistence has been approved and the people concerned will be receiving a payable order from the Chessington Computer Centre in the course of the next few days.

I note that Mr Thatcher will not be submitting a claim.



L J ATTFIELD  
Finance Officer

14 February 1983

1. Mr. Bylles
2. Mr. Allen

I never expected  
reimbursement of tips. Quite  
happy with what is proposed  
below.

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Please find attached response  
to my inquiries about  
subsistence allowances in respect  
of our visit to the Falklands.  
You will note from para 4  
that unfortunately no reimbursement  
is permissible in respect of  
tipping - the subsistence allowance  
is expected to cover this expense.

Can I leave it to you to  
engage between you about  
"squaring" on this issue.

I will write to Mr. and  
claim for each of us  
accordingly. Love 11/2





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Your reference

Our reference

Date

10 February 1983

*Dear Alan,*

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO THE FALKLAND ISLANDS: 7/13 JANUARY 1983

1. Thank you for your letter of 8 February in which you raised the question of subsistence and other possible payments to the Prime Minister's party which visited the Falkland Islands last month.

2. There is a single subsistence rate for Port Stanley and this is £26.45 per night. On the basis that all members of the party were accommodated in HMG staff houses or equivalent with all found, those concerned would be entitled to one-third subsistence per night with the exception of Mr Thatcher who would be entitled to three-quarters of one-third. On the basis of a 5 night stay in Port Stanley on these terms the entitlements would be as follows:-

Prime Minister	-	£44.10
Mr Thatcher	-	£33.08
Mr Butler	-	£44.10
Mr Coles	-	£44.10
Mr Ingham	-	£44.10
Mr Logan	-	£44.10.

As far as Admiral Fieldhouse is concerned, we understand that the MPO were meeting all his expenses in connection with the visit, indeed as they did for the rest of the party. He, too, would be entitled to £44.10.

3. Regarding the tips which were distributed by the party at the end of their stay, I regret that no reimbursement is permissible, since the rate of one-third subsistence for those staying in staff houses is partly based on the assumption that tips will be paid to staff and gifts such as flowers, chocolates etc will be given to the host/hostess.





4. I am copying this letter to Lawrence Attfield at the MPO so that he is forewarned of the claim you will be about to submit to him.

*Yours ever,  
Mike.*

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Protocol and Conference Department

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*[Handwritten signature]*

8 February, 1983.

Prime Minister's Visit to the Falkland Islands:  
7-13 January 1983

As you are aware, arrangements for the above trip were made under great secrecy and, therefore, no provision was made, prior to our departure, for any subsistence allowances which may have been due. I should be grateful, therefore, if consideration could now be given to payment of any allowances and reimbursements due to us on the following basis:-

The composition of the Prime Minister's party and respective accommodation for the period of 8-12 January inclusive was as follows:-

Prime Minister)  
Mr. Thatcher ) Government House  
Mr. Butler )  
Mr. Coles )

Mr. Ingham c/o Mr. and Mrs. Baker, Chief Secretary

\*Admiral Sir J. Fieldhouse Britannia House

Mr. Logan c/o Mr. J. Chandler, FCO.

\*I imagine subsistence, if appropriate, will be dealt with by the Admiralty.

Meals and accommodation were all paid, and, therefore, no "out of pocket" expenses were incurred except for:-

1. Tipping to the Governor's House Staff as follows:-

Prime Minister) £50  
Mr. Thatcher )  
Mr. Butler £36  
Mr. Coles £10

Distributed to Chauffeur, Housekeeper, Cook and 2 Maids in Government House.

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The total amount was agreed with Lady Hunt, but the amounts actually donated by those stated above were made, not according to grade or rank but purely as a matter of convenience.

2. Mr. Ingham gave a present to Mr. and Mrs. Baker in thanks for accommodating him. This cost him £5 which he paid out of his own pocket.



A. Logan  
Duty Clerk

M.M. Hall, Esq.,  
Foreign and Commonwealth Office.