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Dear Michael,

1. You may not have seen that Felipe González spoke very warmly indeed of the Prime Minister on his return to Spain, saying that she had been more vigorous in support of Spanish democracy in its hour of trial than any other Western leader. Press cutting attached.

(in Spanish)

2. This, as you will know, contrasts with the ill judged comment by Mr. Haig that the Spanish coup was a Spanish affair, or words to that effect.

3. But even that last point has had some benefits, encouraging some Spaniards to think that NATO would be better than a bilateral defence agreement with the US.

4. The leading article in Spain's best weekly paper, Cambio 16, makes the above point strongly. I enclose another press cutting. This makes a very definite change of view in an important quarter.

(in Spanish)

5. I shall busy myself with a paper about 'what should we do about Cuba!'. 1

Yours Ever
Angie

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