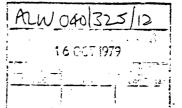
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FROM G A DUGGAN, SOUTH AMERICA DEPARTMENT

FOLLOWING FOR H M CARLESS CMG CHARGE D'AFFAIRES BUENOS AIRES SECRETARY OF STATE'S MEETING WITH ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTER: NEW YORK: 26 SEPTEMBER

- 1. YOU WILL WANT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN NEW YORK.
- 2. PASTOR VAS ACCOMPANIED BY ORTIZ DE ROSAS WHOM HE INTRODUCED AS HIS NOMINEE FOR AMBASSADOR TO LONDON.
- 3. PASTOR REFERRED WITH SATISFACTION TO MR RIDLEY'S VISIT TO BUENOS AIRES AND TO RECENT VISITS TO LONDON BY ARGENTINE OFFICIALS AND MENTIONED HIS OWN MEMORIES OF BRITAIN. HE DESCRIBED THE EXPANSION OF THE ARGENTINE ECONOMY AND REFERRED TO PROSPECTS FOR BRITISH INDUSTRY.
- 4. ON 'MALVINAS' PASTOR CLAIMED THAT THE ISLANDS WERE A LOW BRITISH PRIORITY BUT TOP OF THE LIST FOR ARGENTINA. THE ARGENTINES DID NOT SHARE THE BRITISH VIEW THAT ISLANDER WISHES WERE PARAMOUNT ALTHOUGH THEY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THEY HAD TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. A FORMULA HAD TO BE FOUND TO RECONCILE THIS DIFFERENCE. THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT WAS READY TO MEGOTIATE WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE INTENTIONS.
- 5. PASTOR PROPOSED WHAT HE CALLED A PROGRAMME OF MORK ON 3
 LEVELS: (I) OUR RESPECTIVE FOREIGN MINISTRIES SHOULD KEEP IN
 TOUCH THROUGH AMBASSADORS AT LEAST MEEKLY. AMBASSADORS SHOULD
 BE NOMINATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE: (II) MR RIDLEY AND HAS
 ARGENTINE COLLEAGUE SHOULD MEET TWICE A YEAR VERY INFORMACLY WITH
 AN OFEN AGENDA, SWITCHING TO OFFICIAL MEETINGS WHEN THERE WAS
 SOMETHING AGREED TO BE FORMALISED: (III) THE 2 FOREIGN
 MINISTERS SHOULD MEET ONCE A YEAR AT THE UN, ALSO FERHAPS
 ELSEWHERE: THE SECRETARY OF STATE MOULD BE WELCOME IN
 ARGENTINA AT ANY TIME.
 - 6. THE SECRETARY OF STATE REGRETTED THAT THERE WAS DISCRESSED.

 WITH A COUNTRY WITH WHICH BRITAIN HAD ENUCYED A ECNG

 TRADITION OF FRIENDSHIP. PASTOR HAD PINPOINTED OUR DIFFICULTY.

 AS WITH GIBRALTAR, BRITISH OPINION WOULD NOT COUNTENANCE AVY

 SOLUTION WHICH IGNORED THE IMHABITANTS OF THE TERRITORIES

 CONCERNED. THE PROBLEM HAS DIFFICULT BUT MOT INSOLUBLE

 PROVIDED EACH UNDERSTOOD THE OTHER'S FOSITION. BUT OVERRIDING

 PROBLEMS OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AFFAIRS AND SOUTHERN AFRICA HAD

 WADE IT DIFFICULT FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO THINK DEEPLY

 ABOUT THE FALKLAND ISLANDS. HE HAD NO SCLUTION AT PRESENT BUT

 AS CONSIDERING THE MATTER. ONCE APPOINTED, AMBASABOORS SHOULD

 BE INVITED TO DEPLOY THEIR IMAGINATION AND EXPERIENCE ON THE

 FROBLEM.
 - 7. PASTOR DID NOT ASK THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO AGREE FIRM DATES/VENUE FOR A FURTHER MEGOTIATING POUND. DNCE FOLICY DECISIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN, WE WILL SEND YOU FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.
 - 3. PUEASE HAVE A COPY FORWARDED BY QUICKEST MEANS TO FORT STANLEY FOR THE GOVERNOR. THE GOVERNOR MAY AT HIS DISCRETION ORAW ON ABOVE IN TALKING TO COUNCILLORS. TO RICLEY WILL BE SENDING THEM A MESSAGE ONDE POLICY BUIDELINES ARE SETTLED.

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