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TELEGRAM NUMBER 417 OF 4 MAY 1982

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FALKLANDS

1. AFTER A REGULAR BILATERAL MEETING WITH CHEYSSON TODAY (4 MAY) IN PARIS AT WHICH THE FALKLANDS CRISIS WAS DISCUSSED, THE DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER IS QUOTED BY AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE AS DESCRIBING THE TORPEDOING OF THE GENERAL BELGRANO AS "A DREADFUL INCIDENT". HE IS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING THAT "THE WAY MUST BE RE-OPENED TOWARDS SEEKING A POLITICAL AGREEMENT AND THE BRITISH MUST USE A BROADER FORMULA THAN HITHERTO AND TALK NOT JUST ABOUT THE DEPARTURE OF THE ARGENTINIANS BUT ALSO ABOUT A FINAL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM."

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2. AN AUTHORISED FRENCH SOURCE IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT BOTH THE FRENCH AND DUTCH MINISTERS EXPRESSED THEIR EXTREME CONCERN AT THE ESCALATION OF THE HOSTILITIES.

3. THORN, WHO WAS ALSO IN PARIS TODAY, SAID WHEN ADDRESSING DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENTS THAT THE SOLIDARITY WITH BRITAIN SHOWN BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WAS A POSITIVE POINT FOR EUROPE. THE COMMUNITY HAD SHOWN THAT IT WAS ABLE TO SPEAK WITH A SINGLE VOICE ABOUT A SERIOUS PROBLEM. HE ADDED THAT THERE HAD NEVER BEEN ANY QUESTION OF LINKING EUROPE'S SUPPORT FOR BRITAIN WITH THE BUDGET QUESTION. EUROPE'S POSITION WAS BASED SOLELY ON REJECTION OF THE ARGENTINE AGGRESSION AND RESPECT FOR RESOLUTION 502.

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