

[PLEASE RETURN COPY TO
TYPISTS]

FALKLANDS SELECTIVE ADVANCES (38)

PS/MR HURD
PS/MR ONSLOW
PS/PUS
MR BULLARD
SIR I SINCLAIR
MR GIFFARD
MR WRIGHT
MR GILLMORE
MR URE
MR BARRETT
HS/S AM D
HD/DEF D
HD/PLANNING STAFF
HD/UND
HD/NEWS D
HD/ERD
HD/ECD(E)
HD/PUSD
EMERGENCY ROOM
RESIDENT CLERK

Ps/Ld Belstead 1

FLASH

~~PS/NO 10 DOWNING STREET (2 copies)~~

PS/S OF S DEFENCE
PS/HOME SECRETARY
PS/HOME SECRETARY (c/o NO 10 DSt)
PS/ATTORNEY GENERAL
PS/CHANCELLOR DUCHY OF LANCASTER
PS/SIR R ARMSTRONG)
PS/SIR M PALLISER,)
PS/SIR A DUFF) CABINET
MR WADE-GERY)
MR FULLER) OFFICE
MR O'NEILL HD ASSESS-)
MENTS STAFF)
DIO
MR J M STEWART AUSD STAFF MOD
ADMIRAL SIR ROY HALLIDAY DGI MOD
DIRECTOR G.C.H.Q. (via Room 8)

GR 210
UNCLASSIFIED
FM UKMIS NEW YORK 200113Z MAY 82
TO FLASH FCO
TELEGRAM NUMBER 792 OF 19 MAY
INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON

FALKLANDS: SECRETARY-GENERAL'S INITIATIVE

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL FOLLOWING THE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL THIS EVENING (19 MAY) (SEE MY TEL NO 790):
" I MUST STATE THAT WE ARE AT A VERY DANGEROUS POINT IN THE EFFORTS FOR AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE UK. THE TIME LEFT FOR NEGOTIATIONS MUST NOW BE MEASURED IN HOURS. IN MY JUDGEMENT SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE OVER THE PAST TWO WEEKS. THIS WILL BE LOST IF THE PRESENT OPPORTUNITY FOR NEGOTIATIONS DISAPPEARS. I HAVE SUGGESTED CERTAIN IDEAS WHICH I BELIEVE MIGHT BE OF ASSISTANCE IN OVERCOMING THE REMAINING POINTS OF DIFFERENCE. THIS AFTERNOON, I HAVE SPOKEN TO BOTH PRESIDENT GALTIERI AND PRIME MINISTER THATCHER TO EXPRESS MY VIEWS AND MY VERY GREAT CONCERN. THE COST OF FAILURE IN TERMS OF HUMAN LIFE AND SUFFERING IS TOO HIGH TO PERMIT US TO GIVE UP OUR EFFORTS.

HIGH TO PERMIT US TO GIVE UP OUR EFFORTS.

AT THIS DECISIVE MOMENT, THE LAST URGENT EFFORT IS NEEDED TO REACH THE ACCOMMODATION NECESSARY FOR A REASONABLE SETTLEMENT. I AM PERSUADED THAT THIS CAN BE DONE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE RIGHTS, CLAIMS OR POSITION OF EITHER PARTY. WE MUST CONTINUE TO WORK FOR PEACE WITHOUT JEOPARDY TO PRINCIPLE."

PARSONS

NNNN

20/0157