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FM BRITISH INTERESTS SECTION SWISS EMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELNO 03 OF 10 APRIL

AND TO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON AND MONTEVIDEO

FOR FALKLANDS UNIT FROM JOY

1. PLEASE LET ME KNOW BY RETURN
 - (1) HOW LONG THESE MESSAGES TAKE TO REACH YOU,
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2. I WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO COMPETE WITH NEWS AGENCIES. ALL WELL REPRESENTED HERE FOR THE FORSEEABLE FUTURE, BUT SHOULD APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE KIND OF POLITICAL REPORTING YOU WOULD VALUE, WITHOUT COMPROMISING OUR SWISS COLLEAGUES WHO ARE DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB WITH THE ARGENTINES FOR US.

3. WE ARE TO DESPATCH COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, ETC. BY ROAD TO MONTEVIDEO. LEAVING HERE AT 1300Z. HARDY AND HILL WITH ONE MFA OFFICIAL WILL ACCOMPANY TO FRONTIER AND HAND OVER AT ABOUT 1700Z TO TWO BRITISH SECURITY OFFICERS TO ESCORT TO DESTINATION.

4. BUENOS AIRES IS BEING GEARED UP FOR A MASSIVE PATRIOTIC RALLY IN THE PLAZA DE MAYO TODAY AS HAIG'S TALKS GET UNDER WAY. OTHERWISE LIFE IS NORMAL. NO HARASSMENT OF BRITISH PERSONS OR PROPERTY SO FAR REPORTED, THOUGH THERE IS UNDERSTANDABLE CONCERN AMONGST THE BRITISH COMMUNITY ABOUT HMG'S INTENTIONS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO THE USE OF THE FLEET TO ENFORCE THE BLOCKADE, AND POSSIBLE REPERCUSSIONS THEREAFTER.

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