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TEL NO 59 OF 26 JANUARY 1983

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YOUR TEL NO 26:

UN SECRETARY GENERALS COMMENTS ON THE FALKLANDS

1. AT HIS PRESS CONFERENCE ON 25 JANUARY PEREZ DE CUELLAR GAVE THE FOLLOWING REPLY TO A QUESTION ON THE FALKLANDS:

AS YOU KNOW, DURING THIS MONTH I HAVE BEEN IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE TWO PARTIES CONCERNED AND HAVE ASKED THEM, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ABOUT THEIR VIEWS ON MY GOOD OFFICES. I HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED REACTIONS FROM THE TWO SIDES. NEXT, I THINK I HAVE TO ASSESS THE SITUATION AND PERHAPS HAVE NEW CONTACTS WITH THE PARTIES IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. DURING OUR MEETING ON ANOTHER SUBJECT ON 26 JANUARY, I THANKED PEREZ DE CUELLAR FOR CLEARING UP THE MISUNDERSTANDING IN THIS WAY. PEREZ DE CUELLAR SAID THAT OUR LETTER TO HIM, WITH ITS REFERENCE TO TRANSMISSION OF HIS LETTER TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, HAD BEEN "EQUIVOCAL". I SAID IT WAS FULLY ACCEPTED THAT THIS HAD BEEN A MISUNDERSANDING. THE SECRETARY GENERAL HAD CLEARED IT UP, AND IT WAS NOW WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE. I MENTIONED EN PASSANT THAT WE DID NOT REGARD HIS MANDATE UNDER SCR 505 AS REMAINING IN FORCE.

FCO PASS SAVING

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