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YOUR TELNO 41 TO AMMAN: **NAM SUMMIT: FALKLANDS**

1. COUNSELLOR SPOKE ACCORDINGLY TO HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS DEPT ON 24 FEBRUARY. BADAWI REPEATED HIS ASSURANCE (OUR TELNO 73) THAT THE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION WOULD BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE.

2. I FOLLOWED UP WITH MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON 26 FEBRUARY. **BOUTROS GHALI COMMENTED THAT THE ARGENTINIANS WERE PULLING OUT ALL THE STOPS ON THE FALKLANDS ISSUE, WITH STRONG SUPPORT FROM THE OTHER LATINS. ON 3 FEBRUARY HE HAD RECEIVED A DELEGATION OF LATIN AMERICA AMBASSADORS WHO HAD REPRESENTED THE ISSUE AS THE TOUCHSTONE FOR THEIR OVERALL RELATIONS WITH EGYPT. SINCE BOUTROS IS PROBABLY BETTER INFORMED THAN ANY OTHER EGYPTIAN ABOUT THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE SUMMIT, YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT HE ADDED PRIVATELY THAT IN HIS VIEW THE UK WAS NOT DOING ENOUGH - WORLDWIDE - TO COUNTER THE ARGENTINE CAMPAIGN.**

*A good deal is being done.
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