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TO IMMEDIATE LIMA
TELEGRAM NUMBER 127 OF 14 JULY
POSSIBLE PRIVATE VISIT BY MR TAM DALYELL MP

dead in hell.

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- TAM DALYELL MADE ASSIDUOUS EFFORTS TO CULTIVATE DELGADO, THE PERUVIAN PARLIAMENTARY CLERK, DURING THE LATTER'S RECENT CATEGORY 2 VISIT IN ORDER TO ENLIST HIS HELP IN PLANNING A PRIVATE VISIT TO LIMA.
2. THE STORY IS NOT ALTOGETHER CLEAR, BUT IT APPEARS THAT DALYELL SAID HE BELIEVED HE HAD IMPORTANT NEW EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT HIS THESIS THAT THE GOVERNMENT ORDERED THE SINKING OF THE BELGRANO IN ORDER TO SCUPPER THE PERUVIAN PEACE PROPOSALS BUT THAT HE COULD ONLY CONFIRM IT BY GOING TO LIMA HIMSELF. HE APPARENTLY HOPED TO GAIN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PRESIDENT WHILE HE WAS THERE. ACCORDING TO OUR SOURCE, HE MADE IT CLEAR HE DID NOT WISH THE EMBASSY TO KNOW OF HIS PROPOSED VISIT. DELGADO IS BELIEVED TO HAVE RESPONDED IN PART FAVOURABLY, BUT SINCE HIS NOT RETURNING DIRECT TO LIMA (HE IS APPARENTLY STOPPING OFF IN MIAMI FOR A WHILE) HE MAY NOT BE IN A POSITION TO HELP EVEN IF HE IS GENUINELY DISPOSED TO DO SO.
3. ALTHOUGH THERE MAY BE NOTHING IN THIS, YOU WILL WISH TO KNOW OF THE POSSIBILITY OF AN UNANNOUNCED VISIT BY DALYELL. IF WE LEARN ANYTHING FURTHER, PARTICULARLY ABOUT TIMING, WHICH IN PRINCIPLE SEEMS UNLIKELY TO BE BEFORE THE PARLIAMENTARY RECESS ON 22 JULY, WE SHALL TELEGRAPH AGAIN.

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