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TO IMMEDIATE PEKING

TELEGRAM NUMBER 454 OF 24 SEPTEMBER

FOLLOWING TELEGRAM NOW REPEATED TO YOU FOR PS/PM AT REQUEST  
OF PLANNING STAFF WAS RECEIVED FROM PARIS

TELEGRAM NUMBER 919 OF 23 SEPTEMBER

INFO IMMEDIATE ATHENS BRUSSELS UKREP BRUSSELS COPENHAGEN THE HAGUE  
LUXEMBOURG ROME DUBLIN BONN

INFO PRIORITY MADRID LISBON VIENNA OTTAWA CANBERRA BERNE OSLO  
STOCKHOLM WASHINGTON MODUK

INFO SAVING PRETORIA TEL AVIV TOKYO UKMIS NEW YORK UKDEL NATO

YOUR TELNO 414 TO BONN: ARMS FOR ARGENTINA

1. THE FRENCH ARE CLEARLY COMMITTED TO EXERCISING RESTRAINT OVER  
NEW CONTRACTS. WHEN I SAW MARTIN, DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL AT THE  
QUAI, ON 10 AUGUST HE SAID THAT THE FRENCH WOULD BE CAREFUL ABOUT  
HOW THEY CARRIED OUT EXISTING CONTRACTS AND THAT WHILE THEY WOULD  
CONSIDER NEW CONTRACTS EACH ONE WOULD BE EXAMINED CAREFULLY. (MY  
TELNO 806, NOT TO ALL).

2. CHEYSSON MADE THE SAME POINT EXPLICITLY IN HIS MESSAGE TO YOU  
RECORDED IN YOUR TELNO 505 OF 6 SEPTEMBER TO PARIS. THE KEY  
PARAGRAPH STATES THAT QUOTE THE RESUMPTION OF THE EXECUTION OF  
THESE (EXISTING) CONTRACTS WILL NEVERTHELESS BE DONE IN A PRUDENT  
AND PROGRESSIVE ~~MANNER~~ MANNER. YOUR EMBASSY HAS BEEN ASSURED OF <sup>THIS</sup>  
CONFIRM IT AND CAN ADD THAT ANY NEW CONTRACTS WOULD BE SUBJECTED  
CASE BY CASE TO A PARTICULARLY CAREFUL EXAMINATION. UNQUOTE

3. I WILL AGAIN REMIND THE FRENCH THAT WE ARE LOOKING TO THEM  
TO OBSERVE RESTRAINT, BUT WE ARE UNLIKELY TO SECURE A MORE EXPLICIT  
COMMITMENT THAN THEY HAVE ALREADY GIVEN.

FCO PLEASE PASS SAVING TO ALL

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