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MY TELNO 340: FALKLANDS AT THE UN

1. EIGIL JOERGENSEN TOLD ME TODAY THAT, IN A TALK AFTER MY CALL ON HIM ON 21 OCTOBER, THE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAD ACCEPTED HIS OWN VIEW THAT DENMARK SHOULD AIM FOR A SITUATION IN WHICH THE UK VOTES AGAINST THE LATIN AMERICAN DRAFT RESOLUTION WHILE THE REST OF THE COMMUNITY ABSTAIN. THIS WAS WHAT THE DANISH PRESIDENCY WOULD BE WORKING FOR. EIGIL JOERGENSEN, WHO WAS SPEAKING BEFORE HE HAD ANY REPORT OF THE LUNCHTIME DISCUSSION IN LUXEMBOURG, ADDED THAT THE DANES HAD NOTICED A CERTAIN CHANGE IN THE FRENCH ATTITUDE. THEY WERE NOW INCLINED TO DOUBT WHETHER FRANCE (AND ITALY) WOULD REALLY VOTE FOR THE DRAFT RESOLUTION. HE DISCOUNTED A SUGGESTION THAT THE FRG MIGHT DO SO. WHILE JOERGENSEN STILL DID NOT SAY IN TERMS THAT DENMARK WOULD DEFINITELY ABSTAIN, HE WAS CERTAINLY NOT ENVISAGING A POSITIVE VOTE. HE ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST IF THE UK WERE TO ABSTAIN TOO. I REPEATED THAT, FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSION IN THE FCO LAST WEEK I SAW NO POSSIBILITY AT ALL OF THAT, WHICH HE ACCEPTED.

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