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TELEGRAM NUMBER 306 OF 3 NOVEMBER

INFO IMMEDIATE UKMIS NEW YORK

YOUR TELEGRAM NUMBER 164 TO ABIDJAN : FALKLAND ISLANDS

1. THE SECRETARY (PUS) FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS TOLD US THAT ON PRESIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS THE SRI LANKA DELEGATION HAS BEEN TOLD TO VOTE AGAINST THE ARGENTINIAN REVISED DRAFT RESOLUTION. THE SRI LANKA GOVERNMENT BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL BE IN A VERY SMALL MINORITY, BUT ARE STICKING TO THEIR POSITION.

2. WE SHALL NOT BE ABLE TO LOBBY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE MALDIVES IN THE TIME AVAILABLE.

NICHOLAS

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