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FM WASHINGTON 250125Z APR 82
TO FLASH F C O
TELEGRAM NUMBER 1443 OF 24 APRIL
INFO IMMEDIATE UKMIS NEW YORK

YOUR TELNO 833: HAIG NEGOTIATIONS.

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING REPLY FROM HAIG TO THE MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER IN TELEGRAM UNDER REFERENCE:

BEGINS

DEAR PRIME MINISTER, I HAVE JUST RECEIVED YOUR MESSAGE AND AM GRATEFUL FOR YOUR QUICK RESPONSE.

IN LIGHT OF YOUR REPLY I SHALL, TOMORROW, PRESENT MY IDEAS TO FOREIGN MINISTER COSTA MENDEZ IN PRECISELY THE FORM GIVEN TO FRANCIS. I WILL TELL THE FOREIGN MINISTER THAT HMG RECEIVED THE SAME IDEAS AND IS NOW CONSIDERING THEM, BUT THAT I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THEY WILL PROVE ACCEPTABLE TO THE BRITISH CABINET. I WILL ADD THAT, FROM A US POINT OF VIEW, WHAT WE HAVE PRESENTED TO BOTH PARTIES IS A DELICATELY BALANCED AND REASONABLE PROPOSAL WHICH WE SEE NO REASON FURTHER TO

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WE WILL AWAIT THE ARGENTINE REPLY: AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH FRANCIS.

DEPENDING ON THE ARGENTINE REPLY AND THE ULTIMATE DECISION OF HMG ON THE IDEAS I HAVE PRESENTED, WE HERE IN WASHINGTON WILL THEN EXAMINE WHAT APPROPRIATE NEXT STEPS WE MIGHT TAKE.

ONCE AGAIN, I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR PROMPT REACTION. LET US ALL HOPE THAT THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT WILL REACT POSITIVELY TO THIS FINAL EFFORT TO AVOID BLOODSHED.

WITH WARM REGARDS, SINCERELY, ALEXANDER HAIG. ENDS.

2. HAIG PLANS TO MEET COSTA MENDEZ IN WASHINGTON AT ABOUT 1500 (1900Z) TOMORROW (25 APRIL).

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