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MR ILETT)
MR McINTYRE)

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MR FULLER SAPU/DIO " "
SIR M PALLISER CABINET OFFICE
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FM SANTIAGO 351742Z APR 82
TO IMMEDIATE FCO
TELEGRAM NUMBER 193 OF 30 APRIL
AND TO MODUK
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FALKLANDS: PERUVIAN/ARGENTINE MILITARY COOPERATION

1. MFA CONTACT (SAME AS SOURCE MENTIONED IN MY TELEGRAM NUMBER 182 - PLEASE PROTECT) STATES THAT CHILEAN AMBASSADOR IN MANILA WAS TOLD BY HIS ARGENTINE COUNTERPART ON 27 APRIL THAT ARGENTINA WAS RECEIVING QUOTE NON-SOVIET AIRCRAFT UNQUOTE ON LOAN FROM PERU. THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR HAD ALSO BEEN TOLD BY THE PERUVIAN CHARGE ON 29 APRIL THAT THE PERUVIAN AIR FORCE HAD LENT THE ARGENTINES MIRAGE AIRCRAFT WITH PERUVIAN PILOTS DRESSED IN ARGENTINE UNIFORMS.
2. THIS MAY BE DELIBERATE DISINFORMATION OF A KIND WHICH SEEMS TO BE BEING SPREAD BY OTHER ARGENTINE DIPLOMATS/DEFENCE ATTACHES E.G. IN TOKYO. BUT I SUPPOSE WE HAVE TO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY ESPECIALLY IF IT FITS OTHER INFORMATION. PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR HERE INCIDENTALLY DENIED SOME DAYS AGO THAT PERU WOULD BE GIVING MILITARY ASSISTANCE OF ANY

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