satisfactorily in Parliament and internationally.

You

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should continue firmly to represent our position on matters. The questions of the Dependencies and of the traditional administration may, but They present very franc districulties inheed be the ones where the crunch will come, and Minister They will have to be considered them in relation to the position reached on all other elements in a possible agreement, and meanwhile ym should give no (no) indication want time can be any change of points.

3. Meanwhile, the following comments on points raised in your telegrams are provided as/guidance for your meetings with the Secretary-General today. is as it

Dependencies

4 In advocating our position, you should argue that the status quo has not changed in the Dependencies/and occupation that our purpose in the present negotiations is to deal with the new situation created by the occupation in ha Anulina (This line of argument of the Falkland Islands, is easier to sustain in relation to an interim agreement than in relation to long-term negotiations If unexpectedly the Secretary-General or the Argentines were to suggest that the Dependencies be covered in the negotiations about the future but not in the other provisions of the interim agreement, would no donor you/should undertake entirely without commitment to 1 but E report the suggestion )

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5 You should continue to insist on two major points of substance: (W) that the text of the interim agreement must not prejudice the outcome of negotiations about the future, and that the Argentines must state clearly to the Secretary-General that they accept this and will desist from declaring position not continue to declare the opposite in public.

para 9 of your telno 694 would be ideal for us and you should stand on it today. (Later, if Argentina will not we may have to contiler, consider it, we might settle, in the context of an agreement satisfactory on other matters, for a watered down version of that language: or for a completely neutral formula, such as that the long term negotiations would be about the future of the Islands, coupled with an Argentine statement on the lines of 5(b) above).

Interim Administration

In continuing to insist that the Councils must remain in operation, you should contest the unsupported and erroneous Argentine assertion that the involvement of the islanders in the interim administration would prejudge the outcome of negotiations about the future. also make what play you can with the thoughts that to exclude a people from the administration of their own affairs is hardly consistent with the spirit of the UN: he Councils and that we have developed /these institutions in accordance with UN Charter obligations (Article 73(B)) and that it would be contrary to the spirit of the Charter to dismantle them in the absence of alternative arrangements for the expression of the views of the Islanders.

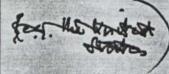


Withdrawal Period.

We continue to believe that 14 days should be long enough for total Argentine withdrawal. In any case, we could not accept treacherously elastic phrase allowing delays beyond the limit because of 'bad weather or other factors'.

Verification of Withdrawal.

a declaration by each side at time 't' of ships and (repeat and) forces in the zone, and daily declarations of what had been withdrawn, would help. But given Argentina's invasion, it is a lot to ask us to accept that she should verify her own withdrawal. You should ask the Secretary-General whether he thinks that the UN could use surveillance aircraft provided by a Member State (this possibility, which may depend on whether adequate surveillance aircraft can be borrowed from an acceptable country like Sweden, is also raised in a separate telegram I am sending to Washington).



Size of Zones for Withdrawal.

nautical miles radius. You have discretion to accept

200 nautical miles in a zone round the Falkland Isa nds,

laje) again
if that is suggested. (Indeed, we perhaps could accept
a larger zone round the Falkland Islands, subject to
further consideration here.)

Lifting of Zones.

(//. You may say that the possibility of their being lifted at time''t' is under positive consideration here.

Lifting of Economic Measures.

12. You may say that we think that the UK and the other EC members could agree to lift economic measures at time 't'. and that we are enquiring whether other countries which have introduced economic measures could lift them at such short notice.

Target Date for Conclusion of Future Negotiations

13. We see no reason why an interim arrangement should not say that:

- a) negotiations will start immediately, to produce an agreement by 'the target date of 31 December 1982';
- b) the interim arrangements will remain in force until implementation of a definitive agreement about the future of the Islands;
- c) the Secretary-General should report just before the target date about next steps.
- 14. The idea for starting long term negotiations notionally at time 't' should be presentationally difficult for us and you should maintain a reserve on it.

Venue for Negotiations.

15. We can accept New York State other than New York City itself.

Involvement of Junta in Argentine Adherence to an Agreement.

16. You were right to argue that all three members of the Junta should sign the agreement. But if that later proved to be a sticking point, we could revert to the suggestion in paragraph 6a of my telno 371, that Argentine adherence to any agreement must clearly be fully backed by the Junta. This could imply a fullic statement by all 3 members.