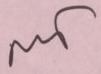
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YOUR TELNO 1678: FALKLANDS



- 1. WE AGREE THAT YOU SHOULD KEEP HAIG PERSONALLY IN THE PICTURE ON HOW MATTERS ARE DEVELOPING AT THE UN, DRAWING AS NECESSARY ON MY TELNO 371 AND UKMIS NEW YORK REPORTING TELEGRAMS. ALTHOUGH ACTION IS NOW FIRMLY CONCENTRATED IN THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S CONSULTATIONS, THERE CAN BE NO GREAT OPTIMISM ON THEIR OUTCOME AND IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE SHOULD NOT GIVE ANY IMPRESSION OF LEAVING HAIG IN THE COLD (SEE MIFT). THERE ARE ALSO CONTINUING AND IMPORTANT ASPECTS ON WHICH WE SHALL NEED US INVOLVEMENT.
- 2. WHEN YOU SEE HAIG, WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD TAKE UP FOLLOWING POINTS WITH HIM:
- A. I LAST RAISED THE QUESTION OF A US GUARANTEE OF THE SECURITY OF THE ISLANDS IN MY MESSAGE TO HAIG IN MY TELNO 917. IF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S CONSULTATIONS WERE TO LEAD TO A POSSIBLE INTERIM AGREEMENT UNDER UN AUSPICES, IT WILL BE CRUCIAL FOR US THAT IT SHOULD BE UNDERPINNED BY A CLEAR US GUARANTEE AGAINST THE NON-INTRODUCTION OF ARGENTINE FORCES INTO THE ISLANDS PENDING A DEFINITE SETTLEMENT. SUCH AN ASSURANCE WOULD NEED TO BE CONVEYED TO US AND NOTIFIED TO THE ARGENTINES IN WRITING BEFORE ANY AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO FORCE. AN ASSURANCE BY HAIG ON THIS WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL AT THIS STAGE IN ALLOWING US TO GAUGE THE SCOPE FOR ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE:
- B. PARAGRAPH 2(C) OF UKMIS NEW YORK TELNO 691 RAISES THE PROBLEM OF UN VERIFICATION OF A WITHDRAWAL OF FORCES. THE

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IDEA OF A SIMPLE DECLARATION AND NOTIFICATION BY BOTH SIDES

IS OBVIOUSLY FULL OF HOLES: AND FOR VERIFICATION TO BE

EFFECTIVE IT WOULD NEED TO BE DONE PHYSICALLY BY AIRCRAFT.

WHILE THE US COULD FULFIL THIS ROLE, A DIRECT INVOLVEMENT OF

US AIRCRAFT AS SUCH WOULD PROBABLY CAUSE DIFFICULTIES FOR THE UN

SECRETARY GENERAL. THEREFORE, IF THE NEED ARISES, WOULD THE

US BE ABLE TO LOAN SURVEILLANCE FIRCRAFT TO THE UN TO

OPERATE IN UN COLOURS? OR DOES HAIG SEE ANY OTHER WAY

ROUND THIS DIFFICULTY, SUCH AS AIRCRAFT FROM A NEUTRAL COUNTRY

LIKE SWEDEN?

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