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The attached paper issued at 1630 hours on 27 May 1982 contains information and suggested lines to take on the following -

1. Security Council Resolution 505
2. Participation in the World Cup

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1. Security Council Resolution 505

SCR 505 which was adopted unanimously by the Security Council yesterday (26 May) calls on the Secretary General to renew his efforts to find a peaceful solution, to contact both parties immediately with a view to negotiating mutually acceptable terms for a cease fire, and to submit an interim report to the Security Council within a week. The text of the Resolution and Sir Antony Parsons' explanation of the UK vote in favour are attached.

Britain welcomes SCR 505, as it welcomes any mechanism which offers the chance of achieving Argentine withdrawal by diplomatic means but in view of the Argentine record in previous negotiations is not unduly optimistic about the outcome of the Secretary General's efforts. The Secretary General has also said that he regards his task as extremely difficult.

The Resolution three times reaffirms SCR 502, (the text of which is attached) and Sir A Parsons has made it quite clear that for the UK 'the only acceptable condition for a ceasefire is that it should be unequivocally linked with an immediate commencement of Argentine withdrawal'. He also made it clear that 'the situation has changed since the Secretary General reported to the Council on 21 May We cannot now accept that Argentine withdrawal be linked in anyway to parallel British withdrawal'.

2. British Participation in the World Cup

There is to be an adjournment debate this evening (27 May) on Government policy regarding participation by British teams in the World Cup. The Government's policy remains to discourage all sporting contact either in the UK or in Argentina but sees no objection to British teams or individuals competing in any international events held elsewhere where Argentina may be represented. The Argentines are the aggressors and very many people would think it strange if our teams withdrew from the World Cup as a result of their actions and a withdrawal might also be misinterpreted abroad. Nevertheless, some people have queried the morality of participation and the final decision is for the football authorities and the individual players concerned.

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF SCR 505 (1982) WHICH WAS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 26 MAY BEGINS:

THE SECURITY COUNCIL

REAFFIRMING ITS RESOLUTION 502 (1982) OF 3 APRIL 1982, NOTING WITH THE DEEPEST CONCERN THAT THE SITUATION IN THE REGION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (ISLAS MALVINAS) HAS SERIOUSLY DETERIORATED,

HAVING HEARD THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT ITS 2360TH MEETING ON 21 MAY 1982, AS WELL AS THE STATEMENTS IN THE DEBATE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ARGENTINA AND OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND,

CONCERNED TO ACHIEVE AS A MATTER OF THE GREATEST URGENCY A CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES AND AN END TO THE PRESENT CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES OF ARGENTINA AND OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND,

1. EXPRESSES APPRECIATION TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR THE EFFORTS WHICH HE HAS ALREADY MADE TO BRING ABOUT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES, TO ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 502 (1982), AND THEREBY TO RESTORE PEACE TO THE REGION:

2. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, ON THE BASIS OF THE PRESENT RESOLUTION, TO UNDERTAKE A RENEWED MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES BEARING IN MIND SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 502 (1982) AND THE APPROACH OUTLINED IN HIS STATEMENT OF 21 MAY 1982:

3. URGES THE PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT TO CO-OPERATE FULLY WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN HIS MISSION WITH A VIEW TO ENDING THE PRESENT HOSTILITIES IN AND AROUND THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (ISLAS MALVINAS):

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO ENTER INTO CONTACT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE PARTIES WITH A VIEW TO NEGOTIATING MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TERMS FOR A CEASE-FIRE, INCLUDING, IF NECESSARY, ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DISPATCH OF UNITED NATIONS OBSERVERS TO MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE CEASE-FIRE:

5. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO SUBMIT AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND IN ANY CASE NOT LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MY STATEMENT IN EXPLANATION OF VOTE
IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 26 MAY:

I SHOULD FIRST LIKE TO EXPRESS THE VERY HEARTFELT APPRECIATION
OF MY DELEGATION TO THOSE NON-ALIGNED DELEGATIONS WHICH HAVE
WORKED SO HARD TO PRODUCE A TEXT OF A RESOLUTION WHICH HAS
JUST COMMANDED UNANIMITY IN THE COUNCIL.

MY DELEGATION VOTED IN FAVOUR OF THE RESOLUTION JUST
ADOPTED AS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 505. WE DID SO BECAUSE
IT CONTAINS A CLEAR REAFFIRMATION OF SCR 502. IT REGISTERS
BEYOND DOUBT THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S EFFORTS HAVE
BEEN AND WILL BE CONCENTRATED ON ENSURING THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF SCR 502. THIS IS THE KEY TO THE RETURN OF PEACE TO THE
REGION WHICH ALL OF US SO DEVOUTLY WISH. IN PARTICULAR THIS
KEY LIES IN THE SECOND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH OF SCR 502, NAMELY THE
UNCONDITIONAL DEMAND FOR THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL
ARGENTINE FORCES FROM THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

MY DELEGATION WILL CERTAINLY COOPERATE FULLY WITH THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL IN HIS RENEWED MISSION. IN THE LIGHT OF
CERTAIN STATEMENTS MADE BY DELEGATIONS IN THE DEBATE AND IN
EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE THIS MORNING, I MUST MAKE CLEAR, SO THAT
THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO MISUNDERSTANDING, THAT FOR OUR PART THE
ONLY ACCEPTABLE CONDITION FOR A CEASEFIRE IS THAT IT SHOULD BE
UNEQUIVOCALLY LINKED WITH AN IMMEDIATE COMMENCEMENT OF ARGENTINE
WITHDRAWAL. THE HISTORY OF THE LAST TWO MONTHS HAS DONE NOTHING
TO CREATE BRITISH CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA.
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WHILE NEGOTIATIONS WERE STILL IN PROGRESS AND IN DEFIANCE OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S APPEAL OF 1 APRIL. SECONDLY, WE HAVE
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MR. PRESIDENT THE COUNCIL SHOULD ALSO BE QUITE CLEAR ON ANOTHER POINT. THE SITUATION HAS CHANGED SINCE THE SECRETARY GENERAL REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL ON 21 MAY. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 OF SCR 502 IS PLAINLY STATED. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL. WE CANNOT NOW ACCEPT THAT ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL BE LINKED IN ANY WAY TO PARALLEL BRITISH WITHDRAWAL.

MR. PRESIDENT, WE DO NOT MINIMISE THE DIFFICULTY OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S TASK. BUT, I WOULD BE THE LAST TO UNDERESTIMATE HIS GREAT SKILL AND DEVOTION. IF ANYONE CAN SUCCEED IN THE TASK BEFORE HIM, IT IS OUR SECRETARY-GENERAL. I SHOULD LIKE AGAIN TO ASSURE THE COUNCIL THAT MY DELEGATION WILL COOPERATE WITH HIM TO THE FULL.

MR. PRESIDENT, I CANNOT CONCLUDE THIS STATEMENT WITHOUT EXPRESSING A LITTLE SURPRISE AT THE EXPLANATION OF VOTE OF THE DISTINGUISHED PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE USSR. ON 1 APRIL THE SOVIET UNION JOINED IN THE CALL BY ALL MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM TO REFRAIN FROM THE USE OF FORCE. ON 2 APRIL ARGENTINA DID USE FORCE. THIS WAS REGISTERED IN SCR 502 WHICH THE SOVIET UNION DID NOT OPPOSE. I AM STILL WAITING TO HEAR A FIRM CONDEMNATION OF THIS FIRST USE OF FORCE FROM THE DISTINGUISHED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SOVIET UNION. HE HAS ADOPTED, IF I MAY SAY SO, SOMETHING OF A ONE-EYED STANCE THIS MORNING: NOT SEEING THE USE OF FORCE BY ARGENTINA BUT FOCUSING WITH ONE EYE ON THE UNITED KINGDOM'S ACTIONS IN EXERCISE OF OUR RIGHT TO SELF-DEFENCE.

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I HAVE THE HONOUR TO TRANSMIT HERewith THE TEXT OF RESOLUTION
502 (1982) ADOPTED BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT ITS 2350TH MEETING
ON 3 APRIL 1982.

QUOTE:

THE SECURITY COUNCIL,
RECALLING THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY
COUNCIL AT THE 2345TH MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 1 APRIL
1982 (S/14944) CALLING ON THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND THE
UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO REFRAIN
FROM THE USE OR THREAT OF FORCE IN THE REGION OF THE FALKLAND IS-
LANDS (ISLAS MALVINAS),

DEEPLY DISTURBED AT REPORTS OF AN INVASION ON 2 APRIL 1982 BY
ARMED FORCES OF ARGENTINA,

DETERMINING THAT THERE EXISTS A BREACH OF THE PEACE IN THE REGION
OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (ISLAS MALVINAS),

1. DEMANDS AN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES;
2. DEMANDS AN IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL ARGENTINE FORCES FROM
THE FALKLAND ISLANDS (ISLAS MALVINAS);
3. CALLS ON THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM
TO SEEK A DIPLOMATIC SOLUTION TO THEIR DIFFERENCES AND TO RESPECT
FULLY THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED
NATIONS.

UNQUOTE.

HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

J. PEREZ DE CUELLAR SECRETARY-GENERAL UNITED NATIONS

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