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BRESS SUMMARY

- 1. ALL PAPERS HEADLINE WHAT IS TERMED A SERIOUS BRITISH SETBACK AT FITZROY SETTLEMENT: QUOTE SERIOUS BRITISH LOSSES IN LANDING ATTEMPT UNQUOTE (LA NACION). QUOTE FRIGATE SUNK AND THREE OTHER SHIPS DESTROYED UNQUOTE (ALL PAPERS).
- 2. GALTIERI'S STATEMENT IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE MADRID DAILY
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NOT ACCEPT A RETURN TO THE STATUS OF 1 APRIL IN THE MALVINAS ... BUT IS WILLING TO WITHDRAW HER FORCES AT THE SAME PACE AS THE BRITISH, LEAVING A UN ADMINISTRATOR TO GOVERN THE ISLANDS UNQUOTE. LA NACION HEADLINES HIS ASSERTION THAT ARGENTINA QUOTE IS PREPARED TO CONTINUE THE WAR FOR AS MANY MONTHS AND YEARS AS NECESSARY UNQUOTE. 3. HEADLINE ATTENTION IS ALSO GIVEN TO PRESIDENT REAGAN'S SUPPORT FOR BRITISH ACTION BEFORE PARLIAMENT. 4. ON THE INTERNAL FRONT THE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, SAINT JEAN, ANNOUNCED THE UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF 128 PEOPLE AND RELEASE ON PAROLE OF A FURTHER 116 TO MARK THE PAPAL VISIT. HE POINTED OUT THAT OF THE 8'737 DETAINED SINCE THE CONTINUING STATE OF SIEGE WAS DECREED IN 1974, ONLY 475 REMAIN IN DETENTION OF WHICH 262 HAVE NOT YET BEEN TRIED OR SENTENCED. 5. CLARIN REPORTS THAT THE 5-PARTY GROUPING KNOWN AS THE ''MULTI-PARTIDARIA'' (PERONISTS, RADICALS, CHRISTIAN-DEMOCRATS, ''DES-ARROLLISTAS" AND INTRANSIGENTS) WILL PUBLISH AN EMERGENCY PLAN, OR DRAFT GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME, NEXT THUESDAY FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION IF ACCEPTED BY THE ARMED FORCES. THE RADICAL LEADER, CONTIN, INSISTED THAT IT WAS NOT A PROPOSAL FOR A TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT. THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF CURRENT POLITICAL MANOEUVER-ING TO PREPARE FOR A POST-HOSTILITIES PERIOD WHEN THE JUNTA MAY BE PREPARED TO PERMIT FURTHER CIVIL PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT. THERE IS, HOWEVER, LITTLE SIGN YET THAT THE JUNTA IS WILLING TO BE HURRIED OVER THIS.

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