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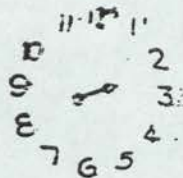
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TELEGRAM NUMBER 297 OF 15 JUNE



YOUR TELEGRAM NUMBER 193 TO BRASILIA : REPATRIATION OF PRISONERS OF WAR.

1. WE CONSIDER THAT THERE IS A VERY GOOD CHANCE THE CHILEANS WOULD AGREE TO THIS PROPOSAL. IT WOULD GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THEIR NEUTRALITY IN A POSITIVE AND HUMANITARIAN WAY. IT SHOULD BE FEASIBLE TO REPATRIATE THE PRISONERS BY BUS TO RIO GALLEGOS, AND THE CHILEANS WOULD PROBABLY MANAGE THE LOGISTICS COMPETENTLY.

2. DEPENDING ON THE SCALE OF THE OPERATION, WE MIGHT NEED TO CALL FOR REINFORCEMENT TO OUR UK-BASED STAFF.

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