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CONTRARY TO US EXPECTATIONS, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS TOLD THE US AMBASSADOR IN BUENOS AIRES THAT HE IS RECOMMENDING THAT THE CANBERRA SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO DISCHARGE P.O.W.'S AT PUERTO MADRYN. IN THE PRESENT STATE OF CONFUSION IN B.A THE AMERICANS ARE UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHAT PROSPECT THERE IS OF THIS RECOMMENDATION BEING ACCEPTED BY THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

2. COMMUNICATIONS: PLEASE PASS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO EMERGENCY UNIT.

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