

OSFO 05/22

22 JUN 1982

~~E.R.~~

PP FCO

PP UKREP BRUSSELS

PP OTHER EC POSTS

GRS

UNCLASSIFIED

FROM OSLO 221455Z JUNE 1982

TO PRIORITY FCO

TELEGRAM NUMBER 130 OF 22 JUNE 1982

INFO PRIORITY UKREP BRUSSELS, AND OTHER EC POSTS.

INFO SAVING WASHINGTON, OTTAWA, TOKYO, CANBERRA, WELLINGTON,
UKDEL NATO, UKMIS NEW YORK.



(105)

MIPT

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF REMARKS TO THE NORWEGIAN PRESS BY STATE
SECRETARY EIVINN BERG ON 21 JUNE 1982.

BEGINS

THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT AFTER THE DEVELOPMENTS OF
THE PAST FEW DAYS THE FALKLANDS SITUATION HAS BEEN CLARIFIED
SUFFICIENTLY TO ENABLE NORWEGIAN ECONOMIC MEASURES AGAINST
ARGENTINA TO BE LIFTED. OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS ARE ALSO
LIFTING SANCTIONS TODAY. THIS IS DONE IN THE EXPECTATION THAT
HOSTILITIES WILL NOW BE BROUGHT DEFINITELY TO AN END.

WE ON THE NORWEGIAN SIDE HAD OBVIOUSLY HOPED THAT THE
INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE ON ARGENTINA TO WITHDRAW, WHICH HAS
BEEN EXPRESSED BY THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL AMONG
OTHERS, WOULD HAVE BEEN SUCH THAT FIGHTING WITH HEAVY LOSS
OF LIFE COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED.

IT STILL REMAINS TO FIND A LASTING POLITICAL SETTLEMENT
OF THE FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION OF THE FUTURE STATUS OF THE
FALKLAND ISLANDS. THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS
AND THE PARTIES NOW BEAR SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR GETTING THESE
UNDER WAY AS SOON AS CONDITIONS MAKE IT POSSIBLE.

CCN GROUPS 170

ENDS

FCO PLEASE PASS SAVING ADDRESSEES.

BROWN

NNNN

SENT AT 22/1637Z GPW/