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TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELNO 294 OF 23 JUNE

AND TO IMMEDIATE WELLINGTON

FCO TELNO 237 : ECONOMIC MEASURES AGAINST ARGENTINA

1. THANK YOU FOR THIS SWIFT RESPONSE BUT CAN YOU PLEASE BE MORE SPECIFIC THAN IN FINAL SENTENCE OF TUR. HOW MUCH IMPORTANCE DO WE NOW ATTACH TO AUSTRALIA, AGAINST THE GENERAL TREND, MAINTAINING ITS IMPORT BANS? OFFICIALS NEED TO HAVE SOME IDEA ABOUT HOW UPSET WE MIGHT BE IF AUSTRALIA WERE NOW TO LIFT THE BANS WITH A SIMILAR UNDERTAKING TO THAT OF THE COMMUNITY REGARDING RECONSIDERATION IF ARGENTINA RENEWED HOSTILITIES.
2. THERE IS NO NEED FOR ME TO GIVE A FORMAL RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE. BUT IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF I COULD CONVEY INFORMALLY THE QUOTE ATMOSPHERICS UNQUOTE.
3. GRATEFUL REPLY DESKBY 242300Z.

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