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TELEGRAM NUMBER 369 OF 24 JUNE

YOUR GUIDANCE TEL NO. 138 : FALKLANDS: ARGENTINE POWS

1. THE MADRID NEWSPAPER ALCAZAR OF 22 JUNE CARRIES A STORY FROM THE SPANISH NEWS AGENCY EFE QUOTING 'NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS' INTERVIEW WITH AN ARGENTINE PRISONER. HE SPEAKS IN THE HIGHEST TERMS OF THE BRITISH TREATMENT OF THE WOUNDED, PARTICULARLY ON THE BATTLEFIELD AND EMPHASISES THAT NO DISTINCTION WAS MADE BETWEEN BRITISH AND ARGENTINE TROOPS.

2. ANOTHER ARTICLE IN EL PAIS (ALSO FROM EFE) DESCRIBES THE POOR HYGIENE CONDITIONS AND LACK OF FOOD SUPPLIES AVAILABLE TO ARGENTINE TROOPS BEFORE THEIR CAPTURE.

3. COPIES OF BOTH ARTICLES WHICH MAY BE USEFUL FOR REPRODUCTION ARE BEING SENT TO INFORMATION DEPARTMENT IN TODAY'S BAG.

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