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MY IPT: UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S VISIT TO BERNE: FALKLANDS

1. WE SHALL BE SENDING BY BAG A GENERAL REPORT ON PEREZ DE CUELLAR'S VISIT TO BERNE ON 7 AND 8 JULY. ACCORDING TO AN ACCOUNT WHICH WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM SWISS DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AT DESK LEVEL HE MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS ON THE FALKLANDS ISSUE:

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B) THE SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD EXPRESS TO THE BRITISH

- A) ~~THE RELEASE OF FLIGHT LIEUTENANT CLOVER HAD BEEN A SIGN OF GOOD-WILL ON THE PART OF ARGENTINA.~~
- B) THE SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD EXPRESS TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN LONDON NEXT WEEK HIS HOPE THAT THE UK WOULD BE WILLING TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS SOON. HE DID NOT THINK THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WOULD BE READY TO BEGIN WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. BUT THE CHANGE OF MR HUNT'S TITLE ON HIS REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ISLANDS WAS AN ENCOURAGING SIGN.
- C) HE FEARED THAT THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES MIGHT TRY TO TAKE THE FALKLANDS ISSUE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH HE PERSONALLY WISHED TO AVOID.
- D) HE FEARED THE ARGENTINES MIGHT MAKE SPORADIC SYMBOLIC RAIDS. N.B.
- E) HE WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE RISK OF OUTSIDE MILITARY INTERFERENCE IN THE AREA AND OF COMMUNIST COUNTRIES' INCREASING THEIR INFLUENCE THERE.
- F) HE THOUGHT FEARS ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF THE CONFLICT ON LATIN AMERICAN/EUROPEAN RELATIONS HAD BEEN EXAGGERATED AND THAT THE MORE IMPORTANT EFFECTS WOULD BE ON LATIN AMERICAN/US RELATIONS, WHICH COULD INDIRECTLY AFFECT EUROPE.
- G) IN THE CONTEXT OF (F) ABOVE HE HAD ALREADY SPOKEN TO PRESIDENT REAGAN SUGGESTING THE USE OF PRIVATE US CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE THE CLIMATE.

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