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TO IMMEDIATE FCO

TELEGRAM NUMBER 527 OF 13 OCTOBER

AND TO IMMEDIATE MODUK

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FALKLANDS PARADE IN CITY OF LONDON

1. THE SPANISH PRESS REPORT THE LONDON MILITARY PARADE UNDER FRONT PAGE HEADLINES "BRITISH AFFRONT TO THE HISPANIC WORLD", DIARIO 16: "THE ENGLISH INVENT ANTI-HISPANIDAD" YA: "LONDON COMMEMORATES VICTORY IN THE MALVINAS ON THE DAY OF HISPANIDAD", ABC: "GRATUITOUS OFFENCE TO HISPANIC PEOPLES BY LONDON" ALCAZAR. "YESTERDAY THERE WERE TWO CELEBRATIONS OF 12 OCTOBER. ONE IN LONDON IN THE MOST EXTREME NATIONALIST STYLE WHICH IS ANACHRONISTIC AND SHAMEFUL TO CELEBRATE THE BRITISH VICTORY IN THE MALVINAS. IN THE OTHER THE KING OF SPAIN LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE AFFIRMED THAT ONLY LIBERTY AND DEMOCRACY UNITED CAN GUARANTEE THE FUTURE", DIARIO 16.

2. THE REPORTS FROM LONDON CORRESPONDENTS QUOTE NEWS DEPARTMENT AS SAYING THAT THE DATE WAS AN UNINTENTIONAL COINCIDENCE. THEY ALSO REPORT EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN FROM LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND A UCD DELEGATION WHICH ATTENDED THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY CONGRESS. THE PARADE IS REPORTED FACTUALLY WITH EXTRACTS FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH WHICH IS DESCRIBED

CONSERVATIVE PARTY CONGRESS. THE PARADE IS REPORTED FACTUALLY WITH EXTRACTS FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS TRIUMPHALIST. TV AND RADIO HAVE ALSO GIVEN THE EVENT SIMILAR FULL AND CRITICAL COVERAGE.

3. AT THE MAJOR CEREMONY HELD IN SPAIN TO MARK THE DAY OF HISPANIDAD AT WHICH THE KING AND QUEEN AND ALL LATIN AMERICAN AMBASSADORS WERE PRESENT, ROBLES PIQUER, PRESIDENT OF THE IBER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR COOPERATION, EXPRESSED SORROW AND IRRITATION ABOUT THE MILITARY PARADE IN LONDON TAKING PLACE ON THE SAME DAY.

4. EDITORIALS AND COMMENTARIES ARE EVEN MORE CRITICAL. "MRS THATCHER HAS TAKEN A GIANT STEP TOWARDS BEHAVING LIKE GALTIERI". "THE BRITISH WHO DURING CENTURIES WERE THE MODEL FOR LIBERTY HAVE NOW LAID ON A SHAMEFUL NINETEENTH CENTURY SHOW TO CELEBRATE A PYRRIC VICTORY IN THE FALKLANDS".

5. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT THE STRONGEST CRITICISM IS FROM DIARIO 16 AND CAMBIO 16 WHICH WERE THE MOST CRITICAL OF THE ARGENTINE INVASION AND SUPPORTED BRITAIN'S RIGHT TO RECOVER THE FALKLANDS.

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