PRIME MINISTER Hugh Thomas rang to say that he had received an Argentine visitor who had claimed to have the closest contacts with Alfonsin and Caputo. These two were now in Madrid and had sent a message to say that they would welcome discussions with Hugh. I told Hugh that, given Alfonsin's latest public statement and the somewhat complicated contacts which we were engaged in with the Swiss, I was sure you would feel that it would not be helpful for him to make direct contact with Alfonsin. He entirely accepted this he does not want to go to Madrid anyway. Avend no A.f.C.

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