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NY TELNO 1182: FALKLANDS AT THE UNGA: ALFONSIN'S VISIT TO PARIS  
 1. VEDRINE, DIPLOMATIC ADVISER AT THE ELYSEE, TOLD ME THIS AFTERNOON THAT MOST OF THE CONVERSATION BETWEEN ALFONSIN AND MITTERRAND ON THE FALKLANDS HAD BEEN IN TETE-A-TETE. HE COULD, HOWEVER, ASSURE US THAT MITTERRAND HAD GIVEN NO COMMITMENT ON THE FRENCH VOTE. ALFONSIN HAD BEEN AT PAINS TO PRESENT HIMSELF AS MODERATE AND TO SEEK FRENCH UNDERSTANDING. HE HAD NOT REVEALED WHAT LINE HE WOULD TAKE AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE PLANNED AT 12.00 NOON TOMORROW.

2. IN ADDITION TO HIS LUNCH WITH MITTERRAND, ALFONSIN HAS HAD A MEETING WITH FABIUS. HIS PROGRAMME ALSO INCLUDES MEETINGS WITH CHEYSSON AND WITH BANKERS AND BUSINESSMEN. IN AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED TODAY IN LE MATIN, ALFONSIN SAYS ON THE FALKLANDS THAT THE AIM OF THE ARGENTINE DRAFT RESOLUTION IS A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM, TOWARDS WHICH THERE HAS SO FAR BEEN HARDLY ANY PROGRESS. HE EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THE EUROPEANS WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EFFORTS FOR SUCH A SOLUTION SINCE ANYTHING ELSE WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE LINE THEY TOOK DURING THE HOSTILITIES.

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