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It may be worth pointing out (yet again) that :

1. We have always been willing to negotiate with the Argentine about the Falklands. *Wen my. F. L.*
2. Negotiations were, in fact, taking place earlier this year.
3. In the two or three days before their invasion we offered urgently to send a negotiator (I think).
4. Our first action was to turn to the United Nations, who issued a mandatory resolution requiring the withdrawal of their forces so that negotiations could take place.
5. Far from withdrawing their forces, they added to them.

The more this history of negotiations is repeated from the beginning the more naive appear those who believe the Argentines are willing to negotiate, or willing to take note of the Security Council, or the United Nations. I think it adds weight to this argument to begin this history with the earlier negotiations rather than with the Security Council resolution.

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I should you wish "I respect" advice Graffie has the number where I shall be this evening, but I suspect you already have enough "cooks"!