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Jorge Isaac ANAYA
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ARGENTINA

Commander in Chief, Navy;
Member, Ruling Junta
(since September 1981)

Addressed as:
Admiral Anaya



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Adm. Jorge Anaya is an intelligent, no-nonsense line officer with impeccable military credentials. Before becoming Commander of the Navy--and ex officio a member of the ruling junta--he had served since January 1980 as chief of the Navy General Staff. Anaya, a preparatory school classmate of President Leopoldo Galtieri's, has maintained close contact with him throughout his military career and can be expected to work closely with him. [redacted] 3.5(c)

Anaya is well disposed toward the United States; he is receptive to US views and will try to find common ground with this country on international issues. He is deeply suspicious of the USSR and a firm anti-Marxist. Extremely sensitive to the growing obsolescence of the Argentine Navy, he resented the decision of Jimmy Carter's administration to halt the sale of new ships, systems, and spare parts to Argentina because of that country's human rights violations. [redacted] 3.5(c)

Anaya joined the Navy as a cadet in the general corps in 1944. He has served in various naval units and has commanded several ships. During 1975-76 he was naval attache to the United Kingdom and the Netherlands and concurrently served as head of the Argentine Naval Commission in Europe. He was commander of the Naval Sea Forces during 1976-77 and director of naval personnel during 1977-79. [redacted] 3.5(c)

Anaya, 55, is reserved. For relaxation, he enjoys reading. He understands and speaks some English but is more comfortable conversing in Spanish. He is married to the former Nélida Sánchez and has two sons, one of whom is a helicopter pilot in the Army. [redacted]

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