LOBBY BRIEFING

time: 5 PM date: 13.4.82

We confirmed what we had previously said about yesterday's and this morning's talks. Mr Haig was concerned to find solutions although we did not regard him as a mediator. We were not putting forward ideas because our position on the matter was clear. Once the Security Council resolution – which the United States had supported – had been implemented then we would be willing to resume our talks about the long term future of the Islands. We did not know what had passed between Mr Pym and Mr Haig at this afternoon's meeting nor who requested it. We did not know what Mr Haig was saying at London Airport. We knew of no plans for Mr Haig to return to London nor of Mr Pym or the Prime Minister to go to Washington. There were a lot of ideas around. Suggestions of a tripartite solution were not coming from us. We were not aware of any initiatives coming directly from the United Nations nor of any message from Moscow.

DEBATE

We said that the debate would run from $2.30~\mathrm{pm}$ to $7.30~\mathrm{pm}$: the Prime Minister would open and Mr Pym close. The Prime Minister would want to be quite forthcoming on the talks but we could not know how much detail she would go into.

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