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- INFO IMMEDIATE PORT STANLEY (PERSONAL FOR GOVERNOR) UKMIE NY (s)(u) Your Telnos 22, 23 AND 24: FALKLAND TALKS
 - 1. AS YOU PREDICTED, WE FIND LITTLE TO APPEAL TO US IN THE ARGENTINE BOUT DE PAPIER. WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS INDIVIDUAL ASPECTS IN NEW YORK. BUT WE ARE CONCERNED TO ENSURE THAT THE ARGENTINES FULLY UNDERSTAND OUR VIEW OF THE BASIS ON WHICH THE TALKS ARE TO BE HELD.
 - 2. GRATEFUL THEREFORE IF YOU WOULD CALL ON BOS AT EABLIEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY AND MAKE OUR POSITION CLEAR AS IN THE SPEAKING NOTE IN MIFT. IF YOU CONSIDER IT HELPFUL, YOU MAY LEAVE A COPY WITH HIM. YOU SHOULD MAKE IT ABSOLUTELY CLEAR TO HIM THAT WE ARE NOT INDULGING IN PRE-TALKS TACTICS. THIS IS HMG'S VIEW OF THE DISPUTE AND IT IS ONLY ON THIS BASIS THAT WE WOULD BE ADLE TO CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE. PLEASE REPORT AS SOON AS ACTION TAKEN.



3. SEE SEPARATE TELEGRAM FOR ADVICE ON EXPLAINING THE POSITION TO COUNCILLORS.

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