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TELEGRAM NUMBER 365 OF 1 APRIL
INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON, BUENOS AIRES, FORT STANLEY.
MY THREE IPTS: FALKLAND ISLANDS CRISIS.
1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF MY SECOND INTERVENTION IN THE
SECURITY COUNCIL ON 1 APPIL:

I REITERATE WHAT I SAID IN MY STATEMENT, NAMELY THAT IT IS THE FERVENT WISH OF MY GOVERNMENT TO USE DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING ISSUES AND TO AVERT A CRISIS. MY GOVERNMENT WELCOMES THE STATEMENT JUST MADE BY YOU, THE PRESIDENT, AND I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE WILL BE GUIDED BY ITS TERMS. WE WILL EXERCISE THE UTMOST RESTRAINT. WE WILL IN PARTICULAR REFRAIN FROM THE USE OR THREAT OF FORCE IN THE REGION AND WE WILL CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR A DIPLOMATIC SOLUTION.

WE ARE NOT AGGRESSORS, AS MY DISTINGUISHED ARGETINE COLLEAGUE HAS AGAIN AND AGAIN SUGGESTED. WHAT POSSIBLE REASON COULD WE HAVE FOR AGGRESSION AGAINST ARGENTINA. WE THREATEN NOBODY. WE HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE AREA EXCEPT TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS AND TO RESPECT THEIR FREELY EXPRESSED WISHES.

MY DISTINGUISHED ARGENTINE COLLEAGE AND I COULD DEBATE ENDLESSLY THE RIGHTS AND WRONGS OF HISTORY AND I LOUBT WHETHER WE WOULD AGREE. I WOULD HOPE HOWEVER THAT HE WOULD BE PREPARED HERE AND NOW TO RESPOND POSITIVELY ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE APPEAL OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND TO THE CALL BY YOU THE FRESIDENT ON BEHALF OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, AS I HAVE DONE, NAMELY TO REFRAIN FROM THE USE OR THREAT OF FORCE IN THE REGION AND TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR A DIPLOMATIC SOLUTION.

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