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TO IMMEDIATE CAPE TOWN

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AND TO IMMEDIATE CAIRO, TUNIS, ALGIERS, RABAT, MUSCAT, BAGHDAD,

TRIPOLI, DAMASCUS, BEIRUT, SANAA, MUSCAT

INFO IMMEDIATE PRETORIA, JOHANNESBURG.

FALKLANDS : FOLLOW UP TO SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. YOU SHOULD MAKE AN IMMEDIATE APPROACH TO THE GOVERNMENT TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED, AT THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL, ON THE FOLLOWING LINES.

2. WE HAVE ACHIEVED A MANDATORY RESOLUTION AT THE SECURITY COUNCIL CALLING FOR ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE FALKLANDS. THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAS ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAS NO INTENTION OF COMPLYING WITH THIS RESOLUTION. IT IS THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE THAT WE SHOULD BRING THE UTMOST PRESSURE TO BEAR UPON THEM URGENTLY.

3. OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO BRING THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT TO COMPLY WITH THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION AND IN PARTICULAR TO WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY. TO THIS END ANY ACTION WHICH OUR FRIENDS FEEL ABLE TO TAKE IN SUPPORT OF THIS AND TO BRING HOME TO THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT THE SERIOUSNESS OF THEIR SITUATION WILL BE VALUABLE. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR WHAT OUR FRIENDS HAVE ALREADY DONE (WHERE APPROPRIATE, YOU SHOULD THANK FOR SPECIFIC ACTIONS) BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT THE PRESSURE MUST BE MAINTAINED AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE INCREASED.

4. WE SHALL BE PURSUING CORPORATE ACTION SEPARATELY, EG WITH OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND ALLIES. MEANWHILE WE ARE ASKING FOR ANY BILATERAL ACTION WHICH FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS ARE ABLE TO TAKE IMMEDIATELY.

5. THE FOLLOWING ARE ACTIONS WHICH MAY BE OPEN TO THE GOVERNMENT TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED.

A. THE RECALL OF AMBASSADORS FROM BUENOS AIRES FOR CONSULTATION (AN EFFECTIVE DEMONSTRATION IF SUFFICIENTLY WIDESPREAD)

B. EMBARGO OF SUPPLY OF ARMS AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT

C. DENIAL OF ECGD-TYPE CREDIT

6. THESE ARE ALL MEASURES WHICH WE OURSELVES HAVE TAKEN THOUGH WE HAVE HAD TO GO FURTHER IN BREAKING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND IN FREEZING ARGENTINE ASSETS. A. AND B. SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.

C. AND THE FREEZE OF ASSETS ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE A CONSIDERABLE EFFECT ON THE SERVICING OF EXISTING ARGENTINE LOANS AND TO MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO RAISE NEW MONEY. WE HOPE THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT WILL ENCOURAGE COMMERCIAL BANKS TO EXERCISE PRUDENCE AND TO REFRAIN FROM MAKING FRESH LOANS TO ARGENTINA AT PRESENT. SUCH LOANS WOULD INEVITABLY BE USED TO DEFRAY THE COST OF THE OPERATION IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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7. STRICTLY FOR YOUR OWN INFORMATION, OTHER MEASURES WHICH WE MAY CONSIDER ON A COLLECTIVE OR INDIVIDUAL BASIS MAY INVOLVE TRADE (EG EMBARGO OF CERTAIN ARGENTINE PRODUCTS OR THE RAISING OF TARIFFS AGAINST THEM). BUT YOU SHOULD NOT MENTION SUCH MEASURES AT THIS STAGE. YOU SHOULD PRESS FOR ACTION BUT YOU SHOULD ALSO SAY THAT EARLY PUBLIC STATEMENTS TO THE EFFECT THAT SUCH ACTION WAS UNDER URGENT CONSIDERATION WOULD OF THEMSELVES BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE IN ADDING TO THE CUMULATIVE WEIGHT OF DISAPPROVAL OF ARGENTINE AGGRESSION AGAINST THE FALKLANDS.

8. YOU HAVE WIDE DISCRETION IN THE PRESENTATION OF THIS LINE: FOR EXAMPLE, WITH SOME GOVERNMENTS WHICH MIGHT NOT OTHERWISE BE INCLINED TOWARDS ACTIVE PARTICIPATION YOU SHOULD WHERE APPROPRIATE ARGUE THAT UNLESS WE ARE SUCCESSFUL IN THIS CASE IT WILL BE INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO PREVENT FURTHER ACTS OF AGGRESSION BY POWERFUL COUNTRIES AGAINST WEAK OR SMALL NEIGHBOURS. (CAPE TOWN OIL PRESUMABLY NOT WISH TO DEPLOY THIS ARGUMENT AND HAVE PARTICULARLY WIDE DISCRETION OVER THE FORM OF APPROACH). WE

SHALL OF COURSE BE CONSIDERING THE SCOPE FOR FURTHER ACTION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, WITH SIR A PARSONS.

9. PLEASE REPORT REACTIONS AS BRIEFLY AS POSSIBLE BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM.

10. TRIPOLI, DAMASCUS, BEIRUT AND SANA'A SHOULD ACT ON THIS INSTRUCTION ONLY IF THEY JUDGE ACTION TO BE APPROPRIATE. THIS TELEGRAM IS A SLIGHTLY AMENDED VERSION OF A TELEGRAM SENT YESTERDAY TO A LARGE NUMBER OF POSTS.

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