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1. THE ONLY CHINESE STATEMENT WAS A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THEIR VOTE ON 3 APRIL, THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH WAS AS FOLLOWS: BEGINS

THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE PRESENT TENSION IN THE MALVINAS (FALKLAND) ISLANDS AREA. THE QUESTION OF THE MALVINAS (FALKLAND) ISLANDS BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM IS A LEGACY OF HISTORY. THE CONFERENCE OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES HAS AT NUMEROUS SESSIONS PRONOUNCED ITSELF ON THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE MALVINAS (FALKLAND) ISLANDS AND CALLED ON THE TWO SIDES TO SEEK A PEACEFUL SOLUTION THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS. WE HAVE TAKEN NOTE OF THAT POSITION OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.

THE CHINESE DELEGATION HOPES THAT ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL CONTINUE THEIR NEGOTIATIONS IN SEARCH OF A PEACEFUL AND REASONABLE SETTLEMENT.

IN VIEW OF THE AFOREMENTIONED, THE CHINESE DELEGATION COULD NOT SUPPORT THE DRAFT RESOLUTION.
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