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need significant  
signals - eg USA,  
USSR, Chile - in  
future. (A)  
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SUMMARY OF SIGNALS: NO 4 (Wed 7 May)

1. NATO

Canada

Strong support for British hard line.

Denmark

Uncharacteristically firm support by MFA. Actively considering the possibility of further action.

Turkey

The Government's endorsement of Security Council of 3 Apr regarded as a show of political solidarity with HMG whom they wished to support.

Spain

Press and public opinion still sympathetic to Argentina and violently anti-British.

2. America

Paraguay

Benevolent neutrality. Pleased if their large neighbours got a bloody nose.

Venezuela

"Argentina has the glory of reversing centuries of humiliation and plundering at the hands of the British."

Colombia

Concerned with Venezuela's strong support for Argentina. Columbia or Guiana.

Mexico

Balanced on the fence with a lean towards Argentina.

3. Rest of the World

Israel

Will probably be neutral.

Cyprus

Undecided. Would Britain condemn Turkish invasion in return?

Zimbabwe

Helpful.

Bahrain

Regardless of ultimate sovereignty over Falkland Islands, Argentinian invasion unacceptable. Fully support International pressure on Argentina.

Uganda

Support HMG's quest for a peaceful solution.

Zambia

Total support for Britain.

Sierra Leone

Public statement that invasion greeted with alarm. Argentina should withdraw.

Milawe

President Band sends Mrs Thatcher his whole-hearted support.

Singapore

Public statement of support for UK urging Argentinina to withdraw.

Japan

Awaiting US reaction.

Finland

Argentina tried to trick Foreign Minister into supporting their case on Falklands last year. He would have acted similarly to Britain.

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SUMMARY OF SIGNAL TRAFFIC

OPERATIONS

- Argentinians intend to invoke OAS assistance on grounds of aggression if Task Force enters Restricted Maritime Region as defined Article 4 Treaty of Rio 1947. **SEE TAB 2.**
- Some concern over security at Ascension. Little can be done to secure info of movements to and from.
- MINIMISE to be rigidly enforced.
- S of S declares Exclusion Zone.

NATO/UN

- EEC UK seeks EEC support for 9 Apr resolution for political/economic pressure against Argentina.
- Italy Govt communique support for UK with hopes for peaceful settlement.
- UN Argentine claims wide support. Open to negotiation
- USA Extensive press coverage favourable.

AMERICAS

- PERU Supports Argentine-press report.
- CHILE Second thoughts. Overt support unlikely. - **TAB 3.**
- ARGENTINE Calls meeting of OAS Air Chiefs. Canada already cried off.

REST OF WORLD

Pakistan - Some adverse press

MISC

ICRC - FCO has accepted British Red Cross offer to pressure ICRC.

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