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1. THE PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH IN THE EMERGENCY DEBATE IS FULLY REPORTED IN TODAY'S PRESS. THE NEW YORK TIMES AND THE WASHINGTON POST NOTE SUPPORT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S APPROACH FROM ALL POLITICAL PARTIES. AN EDITORIAL IN THE NEW YORK TIMES DEPLORES THE PACE OF HAIG'S SHUTTLE, AND URGES THAT, IF CONDITIONS FOR COMPROMISE EXIST, HAIG COULD RATHER THAN TRAVEL HIMSELF EXPLOIT THEM THROUGH EMISSARIES OR A PEACE CONFERENCE HERE. ON SUBSTANCE, IT NOTES THAT IT WILL BE AWKWARD FOR THE U.S. IN LATIN AMERICA IF ITS CLOSEST ALLY DRAWS ARGENTINE BLOOD: BUT THE DAMAGE TO AMERICA COULD BE WORLDWIDE IF IT IS SEEN TO HAVE HAD A HAND IN REWARDING ARGENTINA'S ACT OF FORCE AGAINST AN ALLY. ANTHONY LEWIS CASTIGATES MRS. KIRKPATRICK FOR ASSERTING THAT THE ARGENTINE INVASION WAS NOT ARMED AGGRESSION BECAUSE THEY BELIEVED THE TERRITORY TO BE THEIRS.
2. A FACTUAL ARTICLE BY HALLORAN IN THE NEW YORK TIMES NOTES CLOSE AND LONG-STANDING ANGLO/US COOPERATION ON INTELLIGENCE MATTERS, AND QUOTES ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS AS SAYING THAT THE US WAS PROVIDING THE UK WITH THE WIDEST RANGE OF INTELLIGENCE REPORTS ON THE SITUATION IN ARGENTINA AND AROUND THE FALKLANDS. THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, IN LETTERS AND TWO REPORTS, EMPHASISES THE POTENTIAL FOR SOVIET EXPLOITATION, AND CLOSER SOVIET-ARGENTINE TIES, A THEME ALSO COVERED IN YESTERDAY'S NEW YORK DAILY NEWS AND BOSTON GLOBE.
3. SEE M.I.F.T. FOR REPORTS ON ARGENTINA'S GROWING ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

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