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1. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ADDRESSED TO YOU. FOLLOWING IS TRANSLATION:

BEGINS:QUOTE I HAVE READ WITH GREAT INTEREST THE MESSAGE WHICH YOUR DISTINGUISHED PREDECESSOR, LORD CARRINGTON, SENT TO ME ABOUT THE CURRENT CONFLICT BETWEEN ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM ON THE MALVINAS ISLANDS. THE POSITION OF MY GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CLEARLY STATED IN THE OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE WHICH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ISSUED ON 3 APRIL. THIS COMMUNICATION DECLARED THE RENEVED SUPPORT OF PERU FOR THE RECOVERY BY ARGENTINA OF THE ISLANDS IN QUESTION, WITHIN THE PROCESS OF DECOLONISATION ENSHRINED IN THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS, AND AT THE SAME TIME ESTABLISHES THAT MY COUNTRY MAINTAINS UNCHANGED ITS POSITION OF PRINCIPLE TO THE EFFECT THAT INTERNATIONAL CONTROVERSIES SHOULD BE RESOLVED PEACEFULLY THROUGH THE MECHANISMS LAID DOWN IN THE TREATIES IN FORCE. FINALLY, THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT EXPRESSES ITS BELIEF, AS I AM NOW REITERATING, THAT THE CONFLICT REFERRED TO SHOULD BE RESOLVED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE FULL RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES WHO ARE FRIENDS OF PERU. IT IS WELL-KNOWN THAT PERUVIAN POLICY FAVOURS RESPECT FOR THE PRINCIPLES WHICH REGULATE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND THE FAITHFUL OBSERVANCE OF TREATIES AS THE FUNDAMENTAL BASIS OF PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN STATES, AS WAS REITERATED IN THE SESSION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS WHICH EXAMINED THE MATTER IN QUESTION. WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF ITS RESPONSIBILITIES, MY GOVERNMENT WILL LEND AT ANY TIME ITS SUPPORT, EITHER IN THE BILATERAL OR IN THE MULTILATERAL SPHERE, SO THAT THE PROPOSITIONS REFERRED TO WHICH INSPIRE ITS FOREIGN POLICY MAY BE ADEQUATELY FULFILLED IN THE CASE OF THE MALVINAS. UNQUOTE ENDS.

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