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MY TELNO 1435: FALKLAND ISLANDS.

WHEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE HANDED TO HAIG THE TEXT IN MY TELEGRAM UNDER REFERENCE, HAIG SAID THAT THE US HAD PREPARED A DRAFT OF A STATEMENT WHICH MIGHT BE MADE BY THE PRESIDENT IN THE EVENT OF AN AGREEMENT BEING REACHED. HAIG EMPHASISED THAT HIS TEXT DID NOT COVER THE SAME GROUND AS OUR OWN AND HAD NOT BEEN DRAFTED TO DO SO. IT WAS IN NO SENSE A REPLY TO OUR DRAFT BUT HE WANTED THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO SEE IT SO THAT HE WOULD KNOW WHAT KIND OF STATEMENT THE PRESIDENT WOULD MAKE IF AN AGREEMENT WERE REACHED.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT: BEGINS PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT  
WE HAVE ALL COME THROUGH THIS CRISIS RESOLVED THAT IT WILL NOT BE REPEATED. THIS WILL REQUIRE, ABOVE ALL, THAT THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM SHOW GOOD FAITH IN IMPLEMENTING THE AGREEMENT JUST REACHED. I AM CONFIDENT THEY WILL.

JUST AS THE UNITED STATES HAS PLAYED A ROLE IN ARRIVING AT THIS AGREEMENT, WE WILL HAVE IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITIES IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION. BOTH PARTIES HAVE ENCOURAGED THIS. IT IS IN KEEPING WITH THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE WITH BOTH, AS WELL AS OUR OWN DEEP COMMITMENT TO THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES.

THIS AMERICAN RESPONSIBILITY LIES IN FACILITATING AND ENCOURAGING STEADY PROGRESS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS THAT MUST CONCLUDE AT THE END OF THIS YEAR, AND IN HELPING THE PARTIES MAKE FULL USE OF THE INTERIM PERIOD TO BRING ABOUT A NEW MEASURE OF UNDERSTANDING, MUTUAL CONFIDENCE, AND COOPERATION. I AM SURE THAT BOTH PARTIES RECOGNIZE THAT GREATER OPENNESS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD IS ESSENTIAL IF THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE TO RESULT IN A STABLE LONG-TERM SOLUTION.

IN ACCEPTING THESE RESPONSIBILITIES ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WOULD LIKE TO SET FORTH THE BASIC PRINCIPLES THAT WILL GUIDE OUR ROLE:

- WE WILL STRIVE TO ENSURE THAT ANY FURTHER DISPUTES WILL BE SETTLED WITHOUT THE USE OR THREAT OF FORCE.
- WE WILL FOSTER GREATER OPENNESS, COOPERATION, AND COMMUNICATION.
- WE WILL USE TO THE FULLEST THE INFLUENCE WE HAVE WITH BOTH PARTIES TO PROMOTE FLEXIBILITY AND GOODWILL IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE COMPLETED BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.
- WE WILL ENCOURAGE PEACEFUL AND PURPOSEFUL CHANGE IN A MANNER THAT ENHANCES THE SECURITY AND PROTECTS THE RIGHTS OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE ISLANDS.

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— WE WILL ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR OWN IRREVOCABLE COMMITMENT TO INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY AND DIGNITY.

I AM SURE THAT BOTH PARTIES SHARE MY VIEW THAT THE DEFINITIVE SETTLEMENT OF THIS QUESTION MUST BE THE RESULT OF DIPLOMACY AND NOT THE USE OF FORCE.

ENDS.

HENDERSON

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