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TELEGRAM NUMBER 1438 OF 24 APRIL 1982

INFO PRIORITY ALL EC POSTS

FALKLANDS: EC BRIEFING

1. YOU BRIEFED THE EC HEADS OF MISSION IN GENERAL TERMS ON THE STATE OF YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH HAIG (WHICH WERE STILL CONTINUING) AND TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK COMMUNITY COLLEAGUES FOR THE ACTION THEY HAD TAKEN. YOU EMPHASISED OUR CONCERN TO TRY TO ACHIEVE A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT, IF THAT WERE POSSIBLE; BUT THAT, IN VIEW OF ARGENTINE OBSTINACY SO FAR, SUCH EFFORTS MIGHT NOT BE SUCCESSFUL. WHAT THE ARGENTINES, WHO CLAIMED TO BE DE-COLONISING THE ISLANDS, WERE TRYING TO ACHIEVE WAS IN FACT COLONIALISATION OF THE TERRITORY BY FORCE. YOU EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR HAIG'S CONTINUING EFFORTS TO TRY TO ACHIEVE A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION.

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