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MR LITTLER)
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MR PERETZ) TREASURY
MR ILETT)
MR McINTYRE)
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DIO CABINET OFFICE
MR WADE-GERY CABINET OFFICE
MR FULLER SAPU/DIO " "
SIR M PALLISER CABINET OFFICE
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TELEGRAM NUMBER 1535 OF 30 APRIL

INFO FLASH UKMIS NEW YORK

YOUR TELNOS 874 AND 875: FALKLANDS

1. THE U.S. ACCEPT BOTH POINTS IN FORMER TELEGRAM. THUS THE WORDING WILL READ QUOTE EVENTUAL SOVEREIGNTY, OR AN IMMEDIATE DE FACTO ROLE IN GOVERNING THE ISLANDS WHICH WOULD LEAD TO SOVEREIGNTY UNQUOTE.
2. AFTER THE WORDS QUOTE NOT CONDONE THE USE OF UNQUOTE THEY WILL INSERT THE WORD QUOTE UNLAWFUL UNQUOTE.
3. THE PARAGRAPH BEGINNING QUOTE AS HOSTILITIES BECOME IMMINENT UNQUOTE WOULD NOW BEGIN QUOTE AS PROSPECTS FOR MORE INTENSE HOSTILITIES BECOME IMMINENT UNQUOTE.
4. I HAVE PRESSED FOR A REFERENCE IN THE STATEMENT TO THE FACT THAT OTHER MEASURES ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION EMPHASISING THE PROBLEM OF

OTHER MEASURES ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION EMPHASISING THE PROBLEM OF THE GAP BETWEEN WHAT THE IO ARE DOING AND WHAT THE U.S. WILL BE DOING IN THE AREA OF IMPORTS. I HAVE SUGGESTED THAT THEY INSERT THE FOLLOWING WORDS IN THE STATEMENT AFTER THE LIST OF WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAS ORDERED QUOTE OTHER MEASURES ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION UNQUOTE.

5. HAIG TELLS ME THAT THE WORDING HAS ALREADY BEEN AGREED WITH THE NSC EARLY THIS MORNING SO HE CANNOT ADD TO IT. BUT HE WILL ENSURE THAT THE BRIEFING COVERS THE POINT. HAIG ADDED WITH SOME WARMTH THAT THE AMERICAN PROMISE CONTAINED IN THE STATEMENT TO QUOTE RESPOND POSITIVELY TO REQUESTS FOR MATERIAL SUPPORT FOR BRITISH FORCES UNQUOTE GOES MUCH FURTHER THAN ANYTHING THE COMMUNITY ARE OFFERING.

6. AS YOU WILL KNOW FROM TELEPHONIC EXCHANGES THE AMERICANS HAVE UNFORTUNATELY ADDED WORDING TO THE PARAGRAPH ABOUT THE U.S. PROPOSALS. THEY HAVE INSERTED A REFERENCE TO THEIR IDEA OF A U.S./ U K/ARGENTINIAN INTERIM AUTHORITY AND QUOTE TO THE CONTINUATION OF THE TRADITIONAL LOCAL ADMINISTRATION WITH ARGENTINIAN PARTICIPATION UNQUOTE. I POINTED OUT TO HAIG PERSONALLY THAT THIS MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR US TO EXPRESS UNQUALIFIED SATISFACTION WITH THE U.S. STATEMENT. HAIG HAS SAID THAT THE ARGENTINIANS ARE GOING TO LEAK THE PROPOSALS ANYWAY. IT WOULD LOOK DECEITFUL TO OMIT THIS IMPORTANT POINT FROM THE U.S. STATEMENT. I SAID THAT IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR US TO DEAL WITH AN ARGENTINIAN LEAK OF THE FULL STATEMENT THAN TO HAVE TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THIS AMERICAN SUMMARY. UNFORTUNATELY, HAIG SAID THE NSC HAVE APPROVED THE TEXT AND HE CANNOT CHANGE IT NOW. I GATHER FROM TELEPHONIC EXCHANGES THAT ALTHOUGH THIS IS NOT HAPPY FROM YOUR POINT OF VIEW IT IS NOT INTOLERABLE.

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