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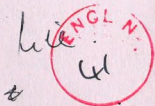
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YOUR TELNO 651: FALKLAND ISLANDS: UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S INITIATIVE.  
FROM BULLARD.

1. I AM SORRY IF THERE IS EMBARRASSMENT WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AS A RESULT OF MY BRIEFING OF POLITICAL DIRECTORS YESTERDAY. IT HAS BEEN NECESSARY ALL ALONG TO KEEP THE TEN PRETTY FULLY INFORMED, AND I HAD NOT FULLY REALISED THE NEED TO BE DISCREET ABOUT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S RATHER LIMITED PROPOSALS. BUT I REPRESENTED THE PERUVIAN/AMERICAN IDEAS AS A GOOD DEAL MORE SUBSTANTIAL AND WASHINGTON AS A MORE PROMISING FOCUS THAN NEW YORK FOR A DIPLOMATIC SOLUTION, AND THIS IS THE IMPRESSION WHICH THE REST OF THE GROUP WILL HAVE CARRIED AWAY. IF THERE ARE LEAKS THROUGH THIS CHANNEL ABOUT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S IDEAS, I HOPE THEY WILL BE MERGED WITH THOSE FROM OTHER SOURCES. TODAY'S GUARDIAN DOES INDEED CARRY A STORY ON THE SUBJECT ASCRIBED TO UN SOURCES. (YOURTEL NO 648). BUT I REPEAT MY APOLOGIES.

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