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FALKLANDS : DEBATE IN UN SECURITY COUNCIL

1. This is just to record that I have this afternoon been making telephone calls to as many of the Ambassadors of the Ten in London whom I can reach (excluding Ireland) to reinforce the suggestion from Sir A Parsons that their Ambassadors should be instructed to intervene in the debate in the Security Council tomorrow. I have been pointing out that the speakers list yesterday comprised the United States and Canada, (so far so good), but also Spain, the Soviet Union and eight Latin American countries. We did not want the debate as a whole to be unbalanced simply because countries which could have spoken had not thought of doing so. To the Italians I added the point that we should not want them to speak unless they were absolutely sound on the need to ~~reach~~ the idea of an unconditional ceasefire.

2. I have dealt with the point in Para. 3 of Bonn Telno 475 : see my telegram to Bonn.

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