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1. YOUR THINK PIECE ON THE NEGOTIATION OF A SURRENDER OF ARGENTINE FORCES IN FALKLAND ISLANDS MOST TIMELY AND WELCOME.  
2. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE PROCESS OF ACHIEVING THIS WILL HAVE TO BE BY A SERIES OF STAGES IN WHICH WE FIRST APPLY PRESSURE, AND THEN MAKE AN APPROACH TAKING CARE NOT TO PLACE MENENDZ IN A POSITION WHERE HE SUBSEQUENT

QDKD PUBLICLY HAS TO EAT HIS WORDS.  
3. IN EFFECT, THIS PROCESS HAS ALREADY BEGUN. PRESSURE ISON BY YOU BOTTLING HIM UP IN STANLEY, FOLLOWED UP DROP OF LEAFLETS INVITING SURRENDER. HOWEVER, IF HE IS TO RETAIN ANY SORT OF HONOUR, HE CANNOT ACCEPT AT THIS STAGE. THEREFORE APPLY A FURTHER TURN OF THE SCREW BY, SAY, THE COMPLETION OF PHASE 1 OF YOUR ATTACK. WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD CONCEIVE THAT HONOUR WAS SATISFIED AT THAT STAGE MUST NOW BE CONJECTURAL. I SUSPECT HE WOULD PROBABLY REJECT AN APPROACH AT THAT POINT, HENCE THE NEED TO KEEP NEGOTIATIONS WITH HIM UNDER WRAPS SO THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE TO EAT WORDS LATER. IN ANY EVENT WHILE I BELIEVE IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ACCEPT A PAUSE BETWEEN EACH TIGHTENING OF THE SCREW TO ALLOW AN AVPROACH TO BE MADE. IT WOULD BE MILITARILY UNSOUND AND UNACCEPTABLE TO PAUSE IN MID-STRIDE, WHEN ACTIVE OPERATIONS OF AN INDIVISABLE NATURE ARE IN PROGRESS. MILITARILY, WE MUST REMAIN BALANCED AT ALL TIMES.  
4. HOW WE MIGHT FIRST MAKE CONTACT WITH HIM, ON WHAT PRETEXT, IS A PROBLEM. CLEARLY A MOVE BASED ON SURRENDER NEGOTIATIONS IN THE FIRST INSTANCE WOULD MAKE IT WELL NIGH IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF HE HAS A MIND TO NEGOTIATE HE WILL BE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR A PRETEXT FROM US, IF HE DOES NOT INITIATE SOMETHING HIMSELF. YOUR IDEAS ON THE BAIT TO BE OFFERED ARE INTERESTING, TO WHICH MIGHT BE ADDED, PROVISION OF SUPPLIES AND MEDICAL HELP TO CIVILIANS, EVACUATION OF WOUNDED/SICK ARGS FROM STANLEY, OR EVEN SEARCH, COLLECTION AND EVACUATION OF WOUNDED ON THE BATTLEFIELD. PERHAPS SENIOR OFFICER PWS COULD ACT AS INTERMEDIARIES.  
5. NEXT WE SHOULD CONSIDER TERMS THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO US. EACH FIRST APPROACH SHOULD INSIST ON THE CESSATION OF FIGHTING AND SUBSEQUENT WITHDRAWAL OF ALL ARG FORCES FROM FALKLAND ISLANDS COMPLETE. NO DOUBT, THIS IS LIKELY TO PROVIDE A FIRST RESPONSE THAT MEMENDES COULD SPEAK ONLY FOR THE STANLEY AREA, WHETHER OR NOT THIS WAS TRUELY SO. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, I BELIEVE WE MIGHT HAVE TO SETTLE FOR PORTSTANLEY ONLY BECNRWABPCN JHVRQVCOMPEL AUBHGRJKS  
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