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YOUR TELEGRAM NUMBER 1887 : FALKLANDS

1. I HAVE NOW RECEIVED A FURTHER MESSAGE FROM HAIG. TEXT IS IN MIFT. PLEASE TELL HAIG THAT IT PROVIDES SERIOUS FOOD FOR THOUGHT AND CONTAINS ELEMENTS, AS HE WILL REALISE, WHICH DO NOT CHIME WITH THE IMMEDIATE MOOD IN LONDON. WE HAVE NOT REACHED THE MOMENT OF PARTICULAR MILITARY SUCCESS TO WHICH HAIG REFERS AND I SHALL BE CONSIDERING HIS IDEAS. YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO HIM HOW MUCH I VALUE YOUR FRANK AND FREQUENT CONVERSATIONS WITH HIM. IT IS A TREMENDOUS HELP TO HAVE HIS UP-TO-DATE VIEWS AS WE CONSIDER POLICY FROM DAY TO DAY.
2. YOU WILL RECEIVE A SEPARATE TELEGRAM ABOUT OUR VOTING INTENTIONS ON THE VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. I THINK THAT IT WILL HELP YOU TO CONVINCHE HAIG THAT WE HAVE NO VIEW TO APPEAR PUBLICLY TO BE TAKING A NEGATIVE VIEW OF EVERYTHING OUTSIDE THE MILITARY FIELD.
3. FOR YOUR OWN INFORMATION, I FULLY AGREE THAT HAIG IS BASICALLY ON OUR SIDE AND THE LAST THING I SHOULD WANT IS TO REACT TO HIS REMARKS IN A WAY WHICH WOULD MAKE HIM CAGEY WITH YOU. YOUR SUCCESS IN WINNING HIS CONFIDENCE IS A GOOD AND YOUR ABILITY TO REPORT HIS DAILY MOODS ENABLES ME TO SEE HIS CHANGING VIEWS IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE. I PLAN TO SHOW HAIG'S MESSAGE TO A VERY FEW MINISTERIAL COLLEAGUES, TOGETHER WITH MY OBSERVATIONS ON IT.

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