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PRESS SUMMARY.....

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE PAPAL VISIT TO ARGENTINA HEADS TODAY'S PAPERS TOGETHER WITH REPORTS OF SERIOUS DAMAGE TO THE BRITISH FLEET FOLLOWING DETERMINED ARGENTINE AIR ATTACKS. THE UN RESOLUTION GIVING PEREZ DE CUELLAR SEVEN DAYS TO ACHIEVE A CEASE-FIRE IS REPRODUCED TEXTUALLY ON LA PRENSA'S FRONT PAGE UNDER THE HEADLINE QUOTE SHORT TIME FOR A DIFFICULT TASK UNQUOTE. THE POPULAR !!CRONICA!! DESCRIBES IT AS QUOTE MISSION IMPOSSIBLE UNQUOTE. FRONTPAGE PROMINENCE IS ALSO GIVEN TO GALTIERI'S TOUGH REPLY TO PRESIDENT REAGAN'S ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE. THE TWO MOST POPULAR PAPERS !!DIARIO POPULAR!! AND !!CRONICA!! ANTICIPATE AN IMMEDIATE DECISIVE ATTACK BY ARGENTINE FORCES AGAINST THE BRITISH BEACH-HEAD. THE KEY NOTE IS STILL CONFIDENCE.

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NOTE FROM BERNE

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