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MY TELNO 1088: HAIG'S VIEWS ON THE FALKLANDS

1. MINISTERS HAVE NOW CONSIDERED HAIG'S SUGGESTIONS IN YOUR TELNO 1964. PLEASE SPEAK TO HIM ON THE FOLLOWING LINES.
2. AS HAIG KNOWS, THE PRESIDENT TELEPHONED THE PRIME MINISTER LAST NIGHT AND MRS THATCHER EXPLAINED OUR POSITION. WE WANT TO ACHIEVE A CEASEFIRE AND A COMPLETE ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL AND TO DO SO WITH THE MINIMUM POSSIBLE CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES. GIVEN THE MILITARY SITUATION, WE CONSIDER THAT A CEASEFIRE CAN BEST BE NEGOTIATED BY COMMANDERS ON THE SPOT. OUR POSITION ON THE FUTURE OF THE FALKLANDS REMAINS AS DESCRIBED IN MY TELNO 1083. THE PRIME MINISTER AND I ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A THOROUGH DISCUSSION OF THE SITUATION WITH THE PRESIDENT AND HAIG AT VERSAILLES, BUT WE WOULD ALSO BE VERY GLAD TO HAVE A TALK WITH HAIG BEFORE THEN IF THIS COULD BE ARRANGED. COULD HE POSSIBLY LOOK IN HERE TOMORROW ON HIS WAY TO FRANCE? IF SO, WE WOULD WISH TO ANNOUNCE THIS AS A BRITISH INVITATION.
3. WE SHALL SEND A SEPARATE TELEGRAM ABOUT TIMINGS FOR THE BILATERAL MEETING AT VERSAILLES.

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*C. L. G. Mallaby*  
 You should already have a copy of the telegram to w/for as issued. The economic telegram has not issued. Neither we nor the PUS think it should.

FALKLANDS : MR HAIG'S IDEAS

- / 1. I submit a draft telegram to Washington based on the PUS' debriefing following OD(SA) <sup>with Haig</sup>
- / this morning. I also attach a draft telegram about the Argentine economy, prepared by <sup>Haig</sup> Mr Giffard yesterday, which might be despatched at the same time.

*Just 1/6.*

*C. L. G. Mallaby*

1 June 1982

C L G Mallaby  
Planning Staff

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10 MY TELNO 1088: HAIG'S VIEWS ON THE FALKLANDS  
11 1. Ministers have now considered Haig's suggestions in your  
12 telno 1964. Please speak to him on the following lines.  
13 2. As Haig knows, the President telephoned the Prime Minister  
14 last night and Mrs Thatcher explained our position. As Haig  
15 recognised (para 2 of your telno 1963), we cannot contemplate  
16 anything which could hamper the freedom of action of our forces  
17 in these critical days. But in addition we feel that it is  
18 not realistic, given the situation on the ground, to try now  
19 to build on Haig's ideas for a new initiative in the coming  
20 days. Our position on the future of the Falklands remains  
21 as described in my telno 1083. We want to achieve a ceasefire  
22 and a complete Argentine withdrawal and to do so with the  
23 minimum possible casualties on both sides. Given the military  
24 situation, we consider that a ceasefire can best be negotiated  
25 by commanders on the spot. The Prime Minister and I are

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2 looking forward to a thorough discussion of the situation with  
 3 the President and Mr Haig at Versailles and there will be  
 4 further opportunities for discussion during the President's  
 5 visit here and at the NATO Summit. But the Prime Minister and  
 6 I would also be very glad to have a talk with Haig before  
 7 Versailles. Could he possibly look in here tomorrow on his  
 8 way to France?

9 3. We shall send a separate telegram about timings for the  
 10 bilateral meeting at Versailles.

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