

**137. Telegram From Secretary of State Haig to the Department of State<sup>1</sup>**

Buenos Aires, April 16, 1982, 2345Z

Secto 6024. Department pass to White House. For S/Klosson and S/S-Bremer. Subject: Message to the President From the Secretary of State.

1. Secret Entire text.
2. Mr. President:

As of 1900 hours local, we have completed first round with very little give here. Argentines now reviewing situation with President Galtieri and probably with Junta. Meanwhile, we remain in holding pattern at the Foreign Ministry. Nothing that has transpired thus far in this initial round changes the assessment I provided you from the aircraft enroute here yesterday.<sup>2</sup> We are not at point where break is inevitable. But events could unfold rapidly, even this evening. Warm regards, Al.

**Haig**

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Reagan Library, Executive Secretariat, NSC Country File, Latin America/Central, Argentina (04/15/1982-04/17/1982). Secret; Flash; Nodis. Printed from a copy that was received in the White House Situation Room. Reagan initialed the telegram, indicating that he saw it.

<sup>2</sup> See Document 130.