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10	TELECON AMBASSADOR/GILLMORE: FALKLAND ISLANDS: NUCLEAR WEAPONS
11	1. You should take the following line in response to press
12	enquiries about the carriage of nuclear weapons by the Task
13	Force or their possible use in response to the Argentine
14	invasion of the Falklands:
15	(a) It is our standard policy <u>neither to confirm nor to deny</u>
16	the specific location of nuclear weapons: and we see no
17	reason to depart from that policy:
18	(b) However, it is inconceivable that Britain would use nuclear
19	weapons as part of any military response to the Argentine
20	invasion of the Falklands:
21	(c) (Only if pressed on the implications of the Treaty of
22	Tlatelolco): We are fully aware of our obligations and
23	shall continue to comply with them.
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