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FALKLANDS

1. CALLING TODAY ON SENATORS ZORINSKY, BIDEN, MOYNIHAN, SARBANES AND DODD, AND CONGRESSMAN FOLEY, I REFERRED TO THE CRITICISM IN THE UK OF THE US NEUTRAL STANCE. IF THE US GOVERNMENT FELT, AS A GO-BETWEEN, THAT IT COULD NOT TAKE SIDES, THERE WAS ALL THE MORE REASON FOR ANOTHER AUTHORITATIVE REPRESENTATIVE OF US OPINION, EG CONGRESS AND, IN PARTICULAR, THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, TO MAKE ITS VIEWPOINT KNOWN TO THE WORLD. THIS COULD BE HELPFUL FOR THE USA'S RELATIONS WITH THE UK AND EUROPE AND ALSO SERVE AS A MEANS OF PRESSURE ON ARGENTINA.
2. ALL THE SENATORS SAID THEY WERE STRONGLY SUPPORTIVE OF OUR VIEWPOINT. ZORINSKY ALONE SAID THAT THE MAIN US AIM SHOULD BE TO KEEP OUT OF THE ISSUE, BUT THEN HE IS FROM NEBRASKA.
3. THE UPSHOT WAS THAT ALL THE SENATORS SAID THAT THEY WOULD TRY TO URGE A CALLING OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE SO THAT THAT COMMITTEE COULD PASS A FIRM RESOLUTION.
4. FOLEY'S OFFICE HAVE SINCE BEEN IN TOUCH TO SAY THAT FOLEY HOPES TO BE INTERVIEWED ON BBC TELEVISION TO EXPRESS THE STRENGTH OF CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR OUR CASE. HE WILL ALSO MAKE A STATEMENT ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE (AS MAJORITY WHIP HE IS A MAN OF CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE).
5. SENATOR PRESSLER (WHOM I SAW YESTERDAY) HAS INTRODUCED A RESOLUTION IN THE SENATE CALLING ON THE US GOVERNMENT TO SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS TO REMOVE THE ARGENTINIAN FORCES FROM THE FALKLANDS.
6. I HAVE NOW HEARD SENATOR MOYNIHAN PLANS TO INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION IN THE SENATE TOMORROW CALLING FOR THE US TO FOLLOW THE EC LEAD IN IMPOSING AN EMBARGO ON ARGENTINE IMPORTS.

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