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TO IMMEDIATE FCO
TELEGRAM NUMBER 179 OF 22 APRIL 1982.
AND TO IMMEDIATE NEW YORK.

MY TELEGRAM NUMBER 177.

FALKLANDS: NON ALIGNED MOVEMENT(NAM).

1. DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR UN AFFAIRS FF BANGLADESH FOREIGN MINISTRY HC TOLD ME THAT IN RESPONSE TO MY APPROACH BASED ON YOUR TELEGRAM 145 TO ACCRA, BANGLADESH HAS JOINED NAM WORKING GROUP ON ARGENTINE DRAFT RESOLUTION. THEIR MISSION HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH BRITISH MISSION AND TO DO WHAT THEY CAN, CONSISTENT WITH PRINCIPLES OF NAM TO WHICH BANGLADESH HAS SUBSCRIBED, TO WORK FOR MORE BALANCED OUTCOME ON LINES WE WOULD PREFER.

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2. OSMANI SAID THEY HAD ALREADY ARGUED THAT DRAFT IN UKMIS TELEGRAM 487 TO FCO WAS UNBALANCED. ARGENTINA HAD HAD TO WITHDRAW IT. CURRENT DISCUSSIONS CONCERNED A MORE BALANCED DRAFT AND IN PARTICULAR A PARAGRAPH CONTAINING REFERENCE TO SCR 502. BANGLADESH MISSION WOULD BE GLAD TO KNOW FROM UKMIS HOW THEY COULD BEST NEGOTIATE IN LIGHT OF LOCAL SITUATION.

3. OSMANI EMPHASISED THAT APART FROM GENERAL PRINCIPLES BANGLADESH HAD NO DIRECT INTEREST IN THE FALKLANDS AND THEIR SOLE PURPOSE WAS TO RESPOND TO OUR REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE. HE COULD NOT OF COURSE SAY HOW SUCCESSFUL THEY WOULD BE.

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