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PS/MR HURD
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MR GIFFARD
MR WRIGHT
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MR GILLMORE

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SIR K COUZENS)
MR LITTLER)
MR HAWTIN) TREASURY
MR PERETZ)
MR ILETT)
MR McINTYRE)

MISS DICKSON (EIP DIV) D/EN
DIO CABINET OFFICE
MR WADE-GERY CABINET OFFICE
MR FULLER SAPU/DIO " "

SIR M PALLISER CABINET OFFICE
SIR R ARMSTRONG " "

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FROM UKMIS NEW YORK 010131Z MAY 82
TO IMMEDIATE F C O
TELEGRAM NUMBER 622 DATED 30 APRIL 82
INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON

UN SPOKESMAN ON FALKLANDS

1. THE REUTER DAYLEAD FROM THE UN SAYS THAT A U N SPOKESMAN HAD ANNOUNCED THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL WOULD CONFER WITH YOU "ON THE POSSIBILITY OF MEDIATING IN THE FALKLANDS CRISIS."
2. IN THE BRIEFING TO WHICH THIS REFERS, THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S SPOKESMAN SAID THAT PEREZ DE CUELLAR HAD CONVEYED TO ME AND TO COSTA MENDEZ HIS WILLINGNESS TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO BOTH PARTIES IN THE PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THEIR CONFLICT. THE SPOKESMAN WAS ASKED HOW WE HAD RESPONDED. HE REPLIED THAT COSTA MENDEZ HAD EXPRESSED ARGENTINE WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT UN ASSISTANCE. WITH REGARD TO THE UK, THE SECRETARY GENERAL WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING MR. PYM. AT NO STAGE DID THE SPOKESMAN USE THE TERM MEDIATION.
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4. WE HAVE DRAWN THE SPOKESMAN'S ATTENTION TO THE INACCURACY (NOT THE FIRST THIS WEEK) IN REUTER'S REPORT. WE HAVE ALSO SUGGESTED TO REUTER THAT THEY SHOULD RECHECK THE PIECE AND CONSIDER FILING A CORRECTION.

5. IF ASKED, WE SHALL DENY THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL OFFERED TO MEDIATE; OR THAT WE HAVE REQUESTED MEDIATION.

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