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YOUR TELS NOS 355 AND 356: SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROPOSALS ON FALKLANDS.

1. SIR N HENDERSON HAS TOLD ME THAT THE PERUVIAN PROPOSALS HAVE COLLAPSED. I ACCORDINGLY RECOMMEND THAT I SHOULD BE AUTHORISED TO DELIVER OUR REPLY TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IMMEDIATELY. THIS WILL UPSTAGE THE ARGENTINIANS WHOSE REPLY CONSISTED ONLY OF AN ACCEPTANCE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S DEMARCHE, A CALL FOR A CEASEFIRE, AND AN EXPRESSION OF WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS DETAILS. I SHOULD ALSO GET OUR REPLY IN BEFORE COSTA MENDEZ ARRIVES HERE (WE HAVE NO IDEA WHETHER OR NOT HE HAS DECIDED TO LEAVE BUENOS AIRES).

2. I ONLY HAVE ONE MAJOR COMMENT ON THE TEXT ON YOUR TELNO 356.

2. I ONLY HAVE ONE MAJOR COMMENT ON THE TEXT ON YOUR TELNO 356. WE MUST PROTECT OURSELVES AGAINST THE MOUNTING PRESSURE ON US TO ACCEPT CALLS FOR UNQUALIFIED CEASE FIRES, CESSATIONS OF HOSTILITIES, MAXIMUM RESTRAINT ETC. THESE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE RENEWED AT THIS AFTERNOON'S SECURITY COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS AND I INTEND TO STAND AS FIRM AS I DID YESTERDAY. OBVIOUSLY WE CANNOT ACCEPT CALLS FOR A CEASE FIRE, HOWEVER DISGUISED, UNLESS THEY ARE CLEARLY LINKED TO UNEQUIVOCAL ARGENTINIAN AGREEMENT TO WITHDRAWAL. EQUALLY AS I EXPLAINED IN WORDS OF ONE SYLLABLE TO THE COUNCIL YESTERDAY, IT WOULD BE IMPRACTICABLE AND UNREALISTIC TO AGREE TO SIMILARLY UNQUALIFIED APPEALS FOR MAXIMUM RESTRAINT. SUCH APPEALS COULD NOT BE REALISTICALLY TRANSLATED INTO ORDERS TO THE MILITARY COMMANDERS IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC. MY PROPOSED AMENDMENT IS THE ADDITION OF A FINAL SENTENCE AT THE END OF PARAGRAPH 3:

"YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT, UNTIL IT IS IMPLEMENTED, BRITAIN COULD NOT ACCEPT A CALL FOR AN UNCONDITIONAL CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES WHICH WOULD HAVE THE EFFECT OF INHIBITING ITS RIGHT OF SELF DEFENCE AS RECOGNISED BY ARTICLE 51 OF THE CHARTER". A CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT WOULD BE REQUIRED TO THE FIRST SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH 4 "IN ORDER TO BRING ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION 502 AND TO AVOID

3. I THINK THAT "MEASURES" WOULD BE BETTER THAN "SANCTIONS" IN PARA 7.

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