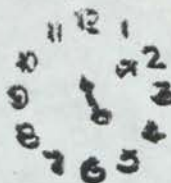


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MY TELNO 180: FALKLANDS; EC SANCTIONS; IRISH ATTITUDE.

AT THE END OF TODAY'S MEETING OF THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE MCKERNAN, THE IRISH POLITICAL DIRECTOR (PLEASE PROTECT), TOLD BULLARD THAT HE HAD REASON TO BELIEVE THE IRISH POSITION WAS EVEN HARDER THAN H.M. AMBASSADOR WOULD HAVE GATHERED IN DUBLIN. HE THOUGHT THE ONLY WAY OF SHIFTING IT WOULD BE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO TELEPHONE HAUGHEY PERSONALLY BEFORE THE FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING IN LUXEMBOURG ENVISAGED FOR 16 OR 17 MAY.

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