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FROM UKMIS NEW YORK 310121Z MAY 82
TO IMMEDIATE F C O
TELEGRAM NUMBER 894 DATED 30 MAY 82
INFO IMMEDIATE WASHINGTON

YOUR TELNO 484: FALKLANDS

1. I THINK THAT IT WOULD BE IN OUR INTERESTS TO AUTHORIZE PEREZ DE CUELLAR TO PUBLISH A MESSAGE FROM YOU IN HIS REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THIS IS FOR TWO REASONS: FIRST, HE WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY PUBLISH THE ARGENTINE TERMS FOR A CEASEFIRE; SECONDLY, I HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT HE MADE MUCH WITH THE ARGENTINES OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S ANSWERS IN PARLIAMENT ON 27 MAY. ON BOTH COUNTS, IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE COUNCIL TO BE TOLD OF OUR POSITION IN OUR OWN WORDS RATHER THAN IN A PARAPHRASE BY PEREZ DE CUELLAR OF YOUR MESSAGE OF 27 MAY AND THE PRIME MINISTER'S REPLIES IN THE HOUSE.

2. IF YOU AGREE WITH THE ABOVE, I RECOMMEND THAT YOU SHOULD SEND ME BY 311400Z A FRESH MESSAGE SETTING OUT THE TERMS ON WHICH WE COULD ACCEPT A CEASEFIRE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ARGENTINE POSITION ATGIVEN TO ME BY PEREZ DE CUELLAR ON 28 MAY. (I EXCLUDE THE ALTERNATIVE OF AUTHORIZING HIM TO PUBLISH A BOWDLERIZED VERSION OF YOUR MESSAGE OF 27 MAY, AS I THINK HE MIGHT HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT THIS).

PARSONS

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