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TO IMMEDIATE UKMIS GENEVA

TELEGRAM NUMBER 234 OF 13 JUNE

INFO IMMEDIATE MODUK (SIC I9F), BRASILIA AND UKMIS NEW YORK
MY TELNO 232: ICRC PROPOSAL FOR A NEUTRALIZED ZONE IN PORT
STANLEY

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF OUR FORMAL AGREEMENT TO THIS PROPOSAL WHICH YOU SHOULD DELIVER TODAY TO THE ICRC.
2. QUOTE THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS AND HAS THE HONOUR TO REFER TO THE ICRC NOTE OF 12 JUNE 1982 REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEUTRALIZED ZONE AT PORT STANLEY IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.
3. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AGREES UNRESERVEDLY TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEUTRALIZED ZONE AT PORT STANLEY UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET OUT IN THE ICRC NOTE OF 12 JUNE.
4. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM UNDERSTANDS AND ACCEPTS THE NEED, IN THE PRESENT SITUATION IN PORT STANLEY, FOR UNARMED ARGENTINE MILITARY PERSONNEL TO BE ABLE TO ENTER THE NEUTRALIZED ZONE FOR THE PURPOSES SET OUT IN THE PENULTIMATE SENTENCE OF ARTICLE 15 OF THE FOURTH GENEVA CONVENTION RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN PERSONS IN TIME OF WAR OF 12 AUGUST 1949. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM MUST, HOWEVER, MAKE CLEAR THAT IT WOULD REGARD IT AS A BREACH OF THE CONDITIONS OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEUTRALIZED ZONE IF SUCH PERSONNEL WERE TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES CONNECTED WITH MILITARY OPERATIONS.
5. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ASSURE THE ICRC OF ITS COMPLETE SUPPORT AND ACTIVE CO-OPERATION.
6. THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE ICRC THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGH CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE.

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