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FALKLANDS - SECURITY COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Security Council at 11.30am New York time (6 hours difference between New York and London) the UK representative introduced a resolution (copy attached).

There followed a statement by the Argentinian representative (summary attached) - to follow.

The Security Council adjourned its consideration of the Falkland issue at 12.30pm New York time and resumed its considerations on Nicaragua.

At this moment (2030 hours London time) we do not know the intentions of the President of the Security Council regarding future Council considerations. Following their considerations on Nicaragua they could go on as originally planned to consider the occupation of the West Bank territories or the President could take up consultations on the question of the Falklands.

'Taking up consultations' means the Security Council will move into private session.

The following paragraph is not for use.

We cannot say how these consultations will work out if and when they take place. It may well be that the Argentinians do all they can to prevent an early vote on the resolution. We have indications that the Russians will seek instructions, ie, thereby preventing an early vote. UKMAS New York therefore ~~are~~ our chances of an early vote as less than 50% but, of course, they are pressing very very hard.

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... RECALLING THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY
... COUNCIL ON 4 APRIL 1982 CALLING ON THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA
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... OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS
... OF THE DEGREE OF AN INVASION OR
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TELEGRAM NUMBER 370 OF 2 APRIL 1982

YOUR TELNO 194 AND TELECONS WITH URE AND FALL: FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION I SHALL INTRODUCE AT THE END OF MY STATEMENT TO THE MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL THIS MORNING:

BEGINS

THE SECURITY COUNCIL,

RECALLING THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON 1 APRIL 1982 CALLING ON THE GOVERNMENTS OF ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM TO REFRAIN FROM THE USE OF THREAT OR FORCE IN THE REGION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS:

DEEPLY DISTURBED AT THE REPORTS OF AN INVASION ON 2 APRIL 1982 BY ARMED FORCES OF ARGENTINA:

DETERMINING THAT THERE EXISTS A BREACH OF THE PEACE IN THE REGION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS:

(1) DEMANDS AN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES:

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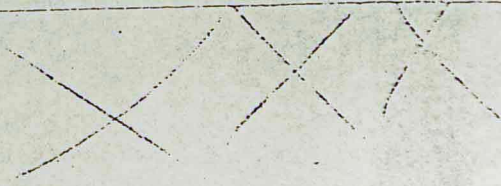
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FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT I DELIVERED IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL AT 1645Z TODAY:

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MR PRESIDENT

I MADE CLEAR TO THE COUNCIL YESTERDAY THAT MY GOVERNMENT DID NOT LIGHTLY CALL FOR IMMEDIATE SESSIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. OUR WORST APPREHENSIONS, THOSE APPREHENSIONS WHICH LED TO OUR CALLING THE COUNCIL INTO SESSION, HAVE NOW BEEN REALISED. THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAS IGNORED THE TWO APPEALS OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE APPEAL LAUNCHED BY YOU, MR PRESIDENT, LAST NIGHT IN THE NAME OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL FOR RESTRAINT AND FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF THE THREAT OR THE USE OF FORCE. AS WE SIT HERE, A MASSIVE ARGENTINE INVASION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS IS TAKING PLACE.

MR PRESIDENT I CANNOT FIND WORDS STRONG ENOUGH TO EXPRESS MY

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... GOVERNMENT'S CONDEMNATION OF THIS WANTON ACT OF ARMED FORCE.
IT IS A BLATANT VIOLATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER AND OF
INTERNATIONAL LAW. IT IS AN ATTEMPT TO IMPOSE BY FORCE A
FOREIGN AND UNWANTED CONTROL OVER ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
PEACEFUL AGRICULTURAL PEOPLE WHO HAVE CHOSEN IN FREE AND FAIR
ELECTIONS TO MAINTAIN THEIR LINKS WITH BRITAIN AND THE BRITISH
WAY OF LIFE.

LAST NIGHT MY DISTINGUISHED ARGENTINE COLLEAGUE REPEATEDLY
ACCUSED MY COUNTRY OF AGGRESSION. IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY
INTERESTING TO LEARN WHAT FORM OF AGGRESSION THE ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED PEACEFUL FARMERS OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS AND THE
LIGHTLY ARMED GARRISON OF LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED BRITISH SOLDIERS
WERE PLOTTING AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA TO JUSTIFY WHAT
I DARE SAY MY ARGENTINE COLLEAGUE WILL PRESENT AS AN ACT OF
SELF-DEFENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 51 OF THE UNITED NATIONS
CHARTER. PUT IN THESE TERMS THERE COULD BE NO-ONE IN THIS
ROOM OR ELSEWHERE WHO WILL NOT RECOGNISE THE UTTERLY NONSENSICAL
NATURE OF THE ARGENTINE CASE AS DEPLOYED IN THIS COUNCIL LAST
NIGHT.

MR PRESIDENT, THE COUNCIL FACES AN EMERGENCY. IT MUST ACT AT
ONCE. I NOW PROPOSE TO READ OUT A DRAFT RESOLUTION WHICH I AM
HAVING CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND WHICH IN VIEW
OF THE EXTREME GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION I STRONGLY HOPE WILL
BE ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY TODAY. MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WILL
OBSERVE THAT IN THE INTERESTS OF A QUICK AND PEACEFUL HEALING
OF THIS UNDOUBTED BREACH OF THE PEACE I HAVE, NOTWITHSTANDING
MY OWN VERY DEEP FEELINGS ON THE SUBJECT, CONFINED THE DRAFT
RESOLUTION TO BARE ESSENTIALS AT THIS CRITICAL JUNCTURE. I HOPE,
MR PRESIDENT, THAT THE STATEMENT I HAVE JUST MADE, BRIEF AS
IT HAS BEEN, WILL LEAVE NO-ONE IN ANY DOUBT AS TO THE STRENGTH
OF MY DELEGATION'S AND MY GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS ON WHAT HAS HAPPENED.
I NOW READ THE DRAFT RESOLUTION. I QUOTE:

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