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IN CARACAS

1. VARIOUS DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES IN CARACAS HAVE EXPRESSED A VARIETY OF POINTS OF VIEW OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS REGARDING

THE FALKLANDS ISLANDS DISPUTE. FOLLWING IS A SAMPLE OF THEIR REMARKS.

2. IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PRESS ON APRIL 14, GREAT BRITAIN'S AMBASSADOR TO VENEZUELA, REGINALD SECONDE, REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED THAT AMONG OTHER POSSIBILITIES, ARGENTINA MIGHT CONSIDER HAVING THE UNITED KINGDOM ADMINISTER THE FALKLAND ISLANDS WHILE ARGENTINA EXERCISES SOVEREIGNTY. HE SAID THIS WAS ONE OF MANY ALTERNATIVES THAT LONDON HAD PROPOSED. SECONDE SAID HE BELIEVED THAT THE NEGOTIATION DIFFICULTIES WERE WITH HAIG AND ARGENTINES AND NOT WITH HAIG AND THE BRITISH. REGARDING THE RIO TREATY, SECONDE SAID THAT THE CASE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FIRST TO THE OAS. HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT ARTICLE 10 OF THE RIO TREATY ESTABLISHES THAT THE UN RESOLUTION HAS PRECEDENCE. WHEN QUESTIONED WHETHER BRITAIN HAD INTERNATIONALIZED THE DISPUTE BY TAKING IT TO THE EC, SECONDE OPINED THAT THE UK WAS WORKING ON THE BASIS OF THE UN RESOLUTION AND THAT THE EC ONLY WANTED TO PUT THAT RESOLUTION INTO FORCE. FINALLY HE NOTED THAT "WE HAVE THE INTENTION OF AVOIDING FORCE, BUT IF ARGENTINA DOES NOT RESPECT THE UN RESOLUTION, THEN GREAT BRITAIN HAS THE RIGHT TO TAKE STEPS, UNTIL SUCH TIXME AS THE SECURITY COUNCIL REESTABLISHED PEACE IN THE AREA OF CONFLICT."

3. IN A SEPARATE INTERVIEW ON APRIL 14, ARGENTINA'S AMBASSADOR TO VENEZUELA, JUAN AGUIRRE LANARI, REFUSED TO COMMENT ON SECONDE'S PROPOSAL AND MERELY STATED THAT "THE IMPRESSION I HAVE IS THAT THE CONVERSATIONS ARE NOT HAVING SATIFFACTORY PROGRESS," AND THAT "TO THE BEST OF MY KNOLEDGE, NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE BY THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT TO WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM THE ISLANDS." IN A PRESS INTERVIEW A FEW DAYS EARLIER, AGUIRRE SAID HE VIEWED WITH PLEASURE THE "NUMEROUS VENEZUELANS" WHO HAD OFFERED TO ENLIST VOLUNTARILY SHOULD THE DISPUTE IN THE MALVINAS COME TO ARMED CONFLICT. HE ALSO NOTED THAT ONE COULD NOT VIEW THE ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL OF SHIPS FROM AROUND THE MALVINAS AS "WEAKNESS, BUT RATHER AS A DESIRE FOR PEACEMZ FINALLY, REGARDING THE EC DECISION, ARGENTINA CONSIDERED THIS " A NEGATIVE PRECEDNE IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS THAT WITHOUT DOUBT WILL WORRY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

4. JOSE ANTONIO ALLENDE, ARGENTINE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC

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LEADER WHO WAS IN CARACAS APRIL 13 ON A SPECIAL MISSION FOR THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT, STATED THAT "THE BRITISH ARE TOTALLY CONFUSED IN HAVING BELIEVED THAT THIS PROBLEM WAS SOON OF THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT AND IN NOT HAVING TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THAT IT IS A PROBLEM OF THE ARGENTINE NATION, WHICH IS A VERY DIFFERENT THING," REFERRING TO THE STAND WHICH VENEZUELA HAS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF ARGENTINA, ALLENDE SAID "WE HAVE THE PROBLEM OF THE DEFENSE OF CONTINENTAL SOLIDARITY, IN THAT THE ARGENTINE PROBLEM AFFECTS NOT ONLY ARGENTINA, BUT ALL OF LATIN AMERICA," ALLENDE DESCRIBED THE EC SANCTIONS AS AN AFFRONT TO LATIN AMERICA IN GENERAL, NOT JUST TO ARGENTINA, AND SAID HE FELT THAT THE UN VOTE HAD BEEN VERY HURRIED AND THAT SEVERAL COUNTRIES THAT VOTED AGAINST ARGENTINA "MUST BE REPENTING" THAT DECISION.

5. SEVERAL OTHER DIPLOMATS IN VENEZUELA EXPRESSED TO THE MEDIA THEIR HOPE THAT THE PROBLEM WOULD RESOLVE ITSELF PEACEFULLY, AMONG THEM THE PAPAL ANUNCIO (LUCIAN STOREKO), THE AMBASSADOR FROM CHINA (238 69, 818, 8), THE AMBASSADOR FROM AUSTRALIA (PETER BARBOUR), A SPOKESMAN FOR THE EC (MICHEL VAN DEN AVONT) AND THE AMBASSADOR FROM BARBADOS (RUAL HARRIS). THE AMBASSADOR FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA (ANTONIN FORMUSEK) STATED THAT THEIR POSITION WAS THAT OF THE UN-- THE ARGENTINE TROOPS SHOULD WITHDRAW; HE ALSO FELT THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS OUGHT TO DECIDE WHAT THEY WANT. IVAN TZATCHEV, BULGARIAN DCM, STATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT'S POSITION WAS "ANTI-IMPERIALIST AND ANTI-COLONIALIST," AND THAT IT SUPPORTED THE ACTIONS OF ARGENTINA "WHenever IT IS A QUESTION OF RESTORING THAT WHICH BELONGS TO YOU", "I DO NOT BELIEVE," HE SAID, "THAT THE PROBLEM WILL BE RESOLVED THROUGH NEGOTIATION. GREAT BRITAIN IS BACKED BY THE COLONIALIST COUNTRIES, AND AS A COUNTERMEASURE, THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES SHOULD UNITE AS A BLOCK BECAUSE THIS GIVES MORE STRENGTH TO ARGENTINA."

6. A PRESS REPORT ALSO APPEARED IN "EL DIARIO" ON APRIL 15 TO THE EFFECT THAT DIPLOMATIC SOURCES OF THE GOV WERE SEARCHING FOR WAYS IN WHICH TO PRESSURE THE UN TO RECONSIDER THE RESOLUTION AGAINST ARGENTINA. THIS REPORT IS UNCONFIRMED.

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