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NEGOTIATIONS

1. ON EVENING OF APRIL 19, FUNMIN COSTA MENDEZ ISSUED A STATEMENT REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THE ARGENTINE STANCE.

2. TEXT FOLLOWIS. QTE. AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE GENERAL ALEXANDER HAIG VISITED BUENOS AIRES APR 16-19 WITH THE PURPOSE OF CONTRIBUTING TO A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND ARGENTINA IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC.

THUS IN SUCCESSIVE MEETINGS VARIOUS PROPOSALS OFFERED BY THE VISITOR WERE ANALYZED, ALONG WITH THE IDEAS OF ARGENTINE OFFICIALS PROMPTED BY THOSE PROPOSALS. IN THIS MANNER WE SOUGHT TO FIND AN ACCEPTABLE BASIS FOR AN END TO THE CONFLICT.

THE ARGENTINE STANCE HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN CONCILIATORY AND PEACEFUL, AND EVEN TODAY (ARGENTINA) HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE, DESPITE THE REAL AND EVIDENT THREAT OF ARMED ATTACK.

ARGENTINA'S STANCE HAS NOT VARIED. IT IS BASED ON THE PRICIPLES OF THE CHARTER AND PERTINENT RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THE IDEAS EXPOUNDED BY THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT, WITH A SPIRIT AND WILLINGNESS TO EXHAUST ALL EFFORTS TOWARD A PEACEFUL SOLUTION, CONTEMPLATED THE POSSIBILITY OF A LIMITED

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PERIOD DURING WHICH VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES FOR THE DEFINITIVE SOLUTION THAT THE ISSUE REQUIRES WILL BE CONSIDERED AND NEGOTIATED, AND WHICH WILL RAPIDLY LEAD TO FULL AND CERTAIN RECONITION OF ARGENTINE SOVEREIGNTY IN THE REGION. WE HAVE NEVER VARIED FROM THIS PUSITION, AND WE NEVER WILL. UNQUOTE. SHLAUDEMAN BT #2368 NNNN

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CINCSO FOR INTAFF, CINCLANT FOR POLAD, ROME FOR VATICAN ED 12065: N/A

TAGS: AR, UK, FA, PBOR

SUBJECT: SOUTH ATLANTIC DISPUTE - AM PRESS ROUNDUP TUESDAY, APR 20

1. NACION FRONT-PAGE TUESDAY: "A HIGH GOVERNMENT SOURCE DISCLOSED

TO LA NACION YESTERDAY AFTERNOON...THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH BRTAIN

OVER THE FALKLANDS ARE 'VIRTUALLY STAGNATED'..'THE SITUATION IS

SO SERIOUS THAT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION UNLY SEEMS POSSIBLE WITH THE

LOSS OF ARGENTINE SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE ARCHIPELAGO AND WITH HIGH

POLITICAL COST TO THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT, WHICH WOULD CAUSE IT

TO COLLAPSE.' THE SOURCE DESCRIBED THE PRESENT STATE OF NEGOTIA
TIONS AS A 'BLIND ALLEY'..THEN THE SOURCE SAID THAT 'BRITAIN IS A

NATURAL OF THE US, A SUBSTANTIVE SUPPORT IN NORTH ATLANTIC DE
FENSE, AND OF FOURCE THE REAGAN GOVERNMENT IS RESPONSIBLE TO

THIS SITUATION."

2. COMMENT: WE CANNOT RECALL SO STARK AN APPRECIATION OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO OBTAIN INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF SOVEREIGNTY TO APPEAR IN PRINT SINCE THE EUPHORIA BEGAN APRIL 2. END COMMENT.

3. IN ANOTHER NACION FRONT-PAGE STURY IT SAYS: "AN EVALUATION MADE BY OUR FOREIGN POLICE SPECIALISTS LAST NIGHT OF CHANCES THAT EFFECTIVE MEASURES BY THE AMERICAN COUNTRIES AGAINST BRITAIN WOULD PROSPER GAVE NEGATIVE RESULTS, YET THE GENERAL FEELING WAS THAT

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DUR COUNTRY'S REQUEST FOR THE APPLICATION OF RIO TREATY MUST BE CONSIDERED RELEVANT." 4. THE NAVY-LINE CONVICCION HAD CENTRAL PAGE 1 SPREAD: "HAIG LEFT WITHOUT ACHIEVING HIS PURPOSE (AND) DEPARTED FOR WASHINGTON AFTER WITNESSING THE FRAGILITY OF THE 'NEW IDEAS' HE BROUGHT TO BUENDS AIRES IN HIS LAST MEDIATION TRY .. 5. CLARIN SAYS: "HAIG'S FINAL STATEMENT WHEN HE LEFT ARGENTINA WAS HARD-TONED. HE AGAIN SPOKE OF IMMINENT WAR. COSTA MENDEZ ANSWERED BY REFERRING TO ARGENTINA'S 'MAXIMUM DEADLINE' FOR THE RECOGNITION OF ITS SOVEREIGNTY. AT THE SAME TIME HE APPEALED TO THE RID TREATY, A STEP HAIG HAD ASKED HE NOT MAKE. BUT THE IM-PENDING ARRIVAL OF THE BRITISH FLEET MADE IT COMPELLING FOR ARGEN-TINA TO PLAY ALL ITS CARDS TO MEET AGGRESSION." 6. CLARIN'S DSCAR CARDOSD SAYS THE HISTORY OF THE RID TREATY SHOWS IT "WAS EFFECTIVE ONLY WHEN ITS PROVISIONS WERE INVOKED BY THE US..IT WAS NOT USEFUL WHEN SOME OF THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES SOUGHT ITS PROTECTION. THIS IS BECAUSE THE TREATY DATES BACK TO THE 'COLD WAR' AND, WHILTE ITS TEXT DOES NOT EXPLICITLY SAY SO, IT WAS CONCEIVED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY TO OPPOSE SOVIET IN-TERNATIONAL ACTION." 7. CLARIN EDITORIAL ALSO SUGGESTS FOR FIRST TIME WE HAVE SEEN THAT SECOND THOUGHTS ARISE ABOUT ARGENTINA'S PRESENT INTERNATIONAL ISOLATION. "SECRETARY HAIG'S LONG AND TENSE NEGOTIATION OVER THE FALKLANDS WAS BROUGHT TO AN ABRUPT DENDUEMENT YESTERDAY WHEN THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT QUESTIONED THE LATEST PROPOSAL AND THE ARGENTINE MILITARY JUNTA DECIDED TO RESORT TO THE RIO PACT. WE MAY EXPECT THAT, ALONG WITH THAT INSTRUMENT OF INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE AGAINST AGGRESSION, DUR AUTHORITIES WILL RESORT TO FUR-THER NEGOTIATIONS ... " EDITURIAL GIVES A BRUAD DESCRIPTION OF THE AR GENTINE COUNTER-PROPOSAL AND SAYS: "THOSE WHO REGARD THIS FORMULA AS APPROPRIATE WILL POINT OUT THAT ARGENTINA FOUND INTERNATIONAL

LATIN AMERICAN SOLIDARITY WAS GENERALLY AMPLE, WHILE MANY COUN-TRIES - MEXICO AND BRAZIL AMONG THEM - CONFINED THEMSELVES TO BACKING OUR COUNTRY'S LEGAL RIGHT TO RECOVER THE MALVINAS WITHOUT RESORT TO FORCE." 8. HERALD EDITORIAL SAYS THAT "MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE BECOMING AWARE THAT A MILITARY REGIME, NO MATTER HOW TOUGH, IS NO SUBSTITUTE

RESPONSE CONSIDERABLY LESS WARM THAN THE AUTHORITIES HAD EXPECTED WHEN THEY DECIDED ON THE BLOODLESS RECONQUEST OF THE MALVINAS. IN

RECKONED WITH AND WHICH MARKEDLY NARROWED THE EDGE OF NEGOTIATION.

ADDITION THERE WAS US PRESSURE, WHICH CERTAINLY HAD NOT BEEN

FOR A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT WHEN THE COUNTRY FINDS ITSELF IN A GRAVE INTERNATIONAL CRISIS." IT ALSO STRESSES THAT ARGENTINA'S REPUTATION AS A HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATOR PLACES IT AT A GREAT DIS-ADVANTAGE VIS-A-VIS THE UK, PARTICULARLY IN THE DEVELOPED COUN-

TRIES.

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9. CITING UNIDENTIFIED SOURCES, LA PRENSA REPORTS THAT "GOVERNMENT AND MILITARY OFFICIALS COMPLETELY REJECT THE POSSIBILITY THAT ARGENTINA WOULD CONSIDER A PROPOSAL BY HAIG THAT CONTEMPLATES SHARED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ISLANDS WITH GREAT BRITAIN AND THE FLYING OF THE BRITISH FLAG ALONGSIDE THAT OF ARGENTINA." THE SOURCES ALLEGEDLY SAID THAT THE GOA EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS IN THE TALKS WITH HAIG "TO ACCEPT TACIT OR IMPLICIT RECOGNITION OF ARGENTINE SOVEREIGNTY, IN ORDER TO FACILITATE A RESOLUTION OF THE CONFLICT, BUT, THIS WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO MRS. THATCHER" AND WAS NOT INCLUDED IN HAIG'S PROPOSALS. LACK OF ANY MENTION, EVEN IMPLICIT, OF ARGENTINE SOVEREIGNTY LED TO AN IMPASSE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, ACCORDING TO LA PRENSA'S OFFICIAL SOURCE. SHLAUDEMAN BT #2370

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