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LETTER DATED 6 JUNE 1982 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE  
PERMANENT MISSION OF ARGENTINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED  
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On express instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of the following communiqués issued by the Joint General Staff of the Argentine Armed Forces:

Communiqué No. 130 of 5 June 1982:

"The Joint General Staff announces that on 3 June 1982 the British Ministry of Defence reported that four of its naval units had to be withdrawn from the operations area in order to repair damage suffered as a result of a clash with Argentine forces. The class-42 destroyer HMS Glasgow and the Leander-class frigate Argonaut have been identified as being among these vessels.

The confirmation of these facts, previously denied or not admitted by the British Government, demonstrates the truthfulness of the information provided by means of these communiqués."

Communiqué No. 131 of 5 June 1982:

"The Joint General Staff announces that the military activities carried out up to noon today, 5 June 1982, were the firing of warning volleys in the area adjacent to Puerto Argentino by our artillery, strengthening and completion of our defensive zones, and patrol and probing operations by both parties.

No activity by enemy aircraft was recorded."

Communiqué No. 133 of 5 June 1982:

"The Joint General Staff announces that today, 5 June 1982, the Argentine Forces carried out patrols and land-based artillery shelling.

The work of final adjustment of our own positions continued.

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The lines of contact with the enemy remained almost static, with very limited activity being recorded on them.

It should be noted that the type of land action being carried out is such that its progress, being relatively slower than that occurring in air and/or naval operations, creates expectations by reason of the news gaps it creates, especially in present circumstances when people are living through the time of preparation and recruitment preceding major operations."

I request that this letter be distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Arnaldo M. LISTRE  
Ambassador

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