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TO FLASH UKMIS NEW YORK

TELEGRAM NUMBER 460 OF 25 MAY

INFO FLASH WASHINGTON, PARIS IMMEDIATE TOKYO, DUBLIN.

YOUR TELNO 844: FALKLANDS: SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

1. AS YOU ALREADY KNOW OUR POSITION NOW IS THAT WHILE WE REMAIN WILLING TO AGREE TO A CEASEFIRE IF ARGENTINA CLEARLY AND IRREVOCABLY COMMITS HERSELF TO VERY EARLY AND TOTAL WITHDRAWAL OF HER FORCES, WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO ACCEPT ANY OTHER CONDITIONS. WE CAN NOT (NOT) CONTEMPLATE ANY PARALLEL WITHDRAWAL OF OUR OWN FORCES. NOR WILL WE NOW ACCEPT ANY INTERIM ADMINISTRATION WHETHER BY THE UN OR ANYONE ELSE.

2. MINISTERS HAVE CONSIDERED THE VARIOUS DRAFT RESOLUTIONS IN THE LIGHT OF THIS POSITION. THEY HAVE DECIDED THAT YOU SHOULD VOTE AGAINST THE IRISH DRAFT RESOLUTION IF IT IS PUT TO THE VOTE AS IT STANDS WITH AN EXPLANATION OF VOTE ON THE LINES PROPOSED IN PARAGRAPH 6 OF YOUR TELNO 842.

3. YOU SHOULD WORK FOR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE IRISH DRAFT AS REVISED BY THE NON-ALIGNED:

- A) IN THE FIRST PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH SUBSTITUTE 'REAFFIRMING' FOR 'RECALLING',
- B) DELETE IN TOTO THE FOURTH PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH, DEALING WITH THE POINTS OF AGREEMENT,
- C) REVISE OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 TO READ 'REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE BASIS OF THE PRESENT RESOLUTION, TO UNDERTAKE A RENEWED MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 502'. (AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE '... GOOD OFFICES TO SECURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SCR 502'.)

YOU SHOULD ALSO PRESS HARD FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REPORT (OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 5) TO BE RENDERED WITHIN 7 DAYS RATHER THAN 2 OR 3 DAYS SO AS TO POSTPONE FURTHER SECURITY COUNCIL

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ACTIVITY FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE AND TO CARRY US THROUGH THE OAS MEETING.

4. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO SECURE THESE AMENDMENTS YOU MAY VOTE FOR THE DRAFT RESOLUTION. IN EXPLANATION OF VOTE YOU SHOULD, WITH REFERENCE TO OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4, MAKE A STRONG STATEMENT INDICATING THE ONLY TERMS ACCEPTABLE TO US, ON THE LINES OF PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE.

5. WITH REGARD TO THE JAPANESE DRAFT RESOLUTION, OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 IS UNACCEPTABLE NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF ITS REFERENCE TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PREVIOUS EFFORTS BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT CONCLUDES BY, IN EFFECT, CITING ONLY TWO OF THE THREE ELEMENTS OF SCR 502, BUT OMITTS THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL. IF THERE IS ANY LIKELIHOOD OF THIS DRAFT BEING TABLED, YOU SHOULD PRESS FOR THE REVISION OF THIS PARAGRAPH TO READ AS FOLLOWS: 'SUPPORTS ONCE AGAIN THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND REQUESTS HIM TO RENEW THE USE OF HIS GOOD OFFICES WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES, THE WITHDRAWAL OF ARGENTINE FORCES AND THE REALISATION OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTE'. (AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE '... GOOD OFFICES TO SECURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SCR 502'.) THE DRAFT RESOLUTION WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE IF THUS AMENDED.

6. YOU SHOULD VOTE AGAINST THE PANAMANIAN DRAFT DRAWING ATTENTION TO ITS FAILURE TO SPECIFY AN EARLY DATE FOR THE COMPLETION OF ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL AND ITS FAILURE TO ESTABLISH CAST IRON LINKAGE BETWEEN CEASEFIRE AND ARGENTINE WITHDRAWAL.

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