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1. WE HAVE GOOD REASON TO BE INCREASINGLY APPREHENSIVE ABOUT ARGENTINE INTENTIONS: THEY ARE ASSEMBLING A SEA-BORNE FORCE CAPABLE OF INVADING THE FALKLANDS.

2. STRICTLY FOR YOUR OWN INFORMATION, THE PRIME MINISTER HAS ASKED PRESIDENT REAGAN TO URGE RESTRAINT ON THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT.

3. IS THERE ANY ACTION WHICH YOU COULD INITIATE THROUGH THE SECRETARY GENERAL OR IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL OR GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHICH MIGHT HAVE A DETERRENT EFFECT?

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