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	11	PERSONAL FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY OF STATE
	12	1. I know that Haig will let you know, and that you will
	13	report to us immediately, when there is any clear response from
	14	Galtieri and the Junta. Should they accept the American
	15	proposals I do not have to tell you that the political
	16	situation here will be extremely difficult to handle and we
	17	will need time for appropriate consultations. I hope Haig will
	18	understand this and will not (not) force our hand or add to our
	19	problems by premature publication. There needs to be the
	20	closest consultation on timing and presentation.
	21	2. The problem will be less critical in the event of
///	22	Argentinian rejection or qualified acceptance with demands for
//	23	further modification, but we will require advance warning of
/	24	Haig's intentions as regards publication and time to react.
	25	3. In the event of Argentinian acceptance American willingness

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 to give a precise security guarantee of the Islands and Dependencies is absolutely essential so that there can be no question of reoccupation by the Argentines or an Argentinian change of mind during the withdrawal process should, for example, Galtieri be ousted. You will remember that I raised this with Haig during my visit and got only a qualified answer.
 4. I leave it to you to judge whether you should put these points to Haig now or whether you make them when you get firm and final news of the Argentinian reaction.
 5. Congratulations on your great public relations effort. It has obviously been a huge success and has contributed considerably to the favourable congressional and public mood.

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