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 TO IMMEDIATE BANGKOK
 TELEGRAM NUMBER 174 OF 2 APRIL
 AND TO IMMEDIATE CERTAIN OTHER POSTS (ALL DESKBY)
 FALKLAND ISLANDS

1. YOU SHOULD DO ALL YOU CAN TO STIMULATE THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE CONDEMNATION OF THE ARGENTINE INVASION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS, DRAWING ON OUR STATEMENTS IN PARLIAMENT AND IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL.
2. YOU MAY AT YOUR DISCRETION CONVEY TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN THE GOVERNMENT TO WHICH YOU ARE ACCREDITED A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM ME ON THE FOLLOWING LINES.
 BEGINS.

WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY HELP WHICH YOU CAN GIVE US IN BRINGING HOME TO THE WIDEST POSSIBLE AUDIENCE AND IN ALL INTERNATIONAL FORA THE AFFRONT WHICH THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT HAVE GIVEN IN THEIR INVASION OF THE FALKLAND ISLANDS TO ORINCIPLES OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND THE RESOLUTION OF PROBLEMS BY PEACEFUL MEANS WHICH WE HAVE ALL SOUGHT TO SUPPORT FOR SO MANY YEARS. THEIR REJECTION OF CONTINUED DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES AND OF MY PROPOSAL TO SEND A SPECIAL EMISSARY WITH CONSTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS TO SUPPORT OUR AMBASSADOR IN BUENOS AIRES HAS LED DIRECTLY TO THE PRESENT CRISIS. I HOPE THAT THE WORLD WILL JOIN US IN CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST TERMS THIS ACT OF FLAGRANT AGGRESSION. ENDS.

2. YOU SHOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO STIMULATE CONDEMNATION OF THE ARGENTINE ACTION AND STATEMENTS PRESSING FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL, DRAWING ON OUR STATEMENTS IN PARLIAMENT AND IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL.
3. YOU SHOULD OF COURSE BEAR IN MIND THAT THE RIGHT OF SELF-DEFENCE IS APPLICABLE.

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