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1. I rang Haig at 1700Z.
2. Haig said that Costa Mendez had refused to see him. His impression was that the Argentinians were trying to buy time, and to secure changes from the British end. I said that there could of course be no question of this. Haig said that this was fully understood. He intended to brief the Senate this afternoon and to go much further than he had yet done in indicating that there was no question where the problem lay, in that the Argentinians were reacting negatively to proposals that were already asking less of them than of the British. He would, however, not go so far as to rule out any resumption of US activity in promoting a negotiated settlement for the future. I said that the Argentinian position ^{was} ~~is~~ beginning to look very like a refusal of the American proposals. Haig said that if their answer was no, so be it.
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