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SUBJECT: FALKLAND ISLANDS DISPUTE; LETTER TO FM  
COSTA MENDEZ FROM THE SECRETARY

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER SIGNED BY SECRETARY ON  
APRIL 23, 1982, AT CONCLUSION OF US-UK DISCUSSIONS.  
PLEASE DELIVER LETTER TO FONMIN COSTA MENDEZ AT EARLIEST  
POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY. ORIGINAL OF LETTER DELIVERED  
TO AMBASSADOR TAKACS MORNING OF APRIL 24.

QUOTE HIS EXCELLENCY, NICANOR COSTA MENDEZ, MINISTER  
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WORSHIP OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC,  
BUENOS AIRES. MY DEAR NICANOR: I HAVE JUST COMPLETED  
MY SECOND DAY OF OUR EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH FRANCIS  
PYM AND HIS COLLEAGUES. AS WE HAD OF COURSE EXPECTED,  
THE TEXT THAT I BROUGHT BACK FROM BUENOS AIRES WAS  
NOT ACCEPTABLE TO THE BRITISH. WE ENCOUNTERED THEIR  
STRONG RESISTANCE IN THOSE AREAS WHICH I HAD PREDICTED  
TO YOU.

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NEVERTHELESS, WE HAVE MADE A SERIOUS EFFORT AND HAVE  
DONE OUR BEST TO MAKE PROGRESS. I NOW HOPE TO HAVE

A NEW TEXT WHICH YOU AND I CAN ADDRESS WHEN WE MEET  
ON SUNDAY.

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WITH WARM REGARDS, SINCERELY, ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.  
END QUOTE HAIG

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