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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR FOREIGN SECRETARY PYM

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN SECRETARY FYM.

3. EEGIN TEXT: DEAR FRANCIS:

THANKS VERY MUCH FOR YOUR MESSAGE AND FOR THE NEWS THAT YOU WILL BE COMING TO WASHINGTON THURSDAY. I LOOK FORWARD TO SERING, IF POSSIBLE, YOUR FURTHER VIEWS ON THE CURRENT ARGENTINE PROPOSAL. IF WE COULD RECEIVE THESE IN ADVANCE OF YOUR VISIT, IT WOULD, OF COURSE, ALLOW US TO BE BETTER FREPARED WHEN YOU GET HERE.

AS I ANTICIPATED IN MY MESSAGE TO YOU LAST NIGHT. THE ARGENTINES HAVE TCDAY MOVED TO INVOKE CONSULTATIONS UNDER THE RIO TREATY. WE WILL ABSTAIN AND ARGUE THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR THE OAS TO ENGAGE ITSELF BY CONVOKING THE RIO TREATY. WE WILL ARGUE THAT THE FACT OF THE OAS MEETING TODAY UNDER THE RIO TREATY RUBRIC WILL INEVITABLY CAST THE ACTIVITIES OF THE OAS IN AN UNHELPFUL AND CONFRONTATIONAL LIGHT.

I APPRECIATED YOUR COMMENTS IN PARLIAMENT AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THURSDAY. ALEXANDER M. HAIG JR END TEXT.

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