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1. S - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. GALTIERI ALONE RECEIVED ME AT 0850 HOURS LOCAL (ARMA ACCOMPANIED ME). I WENT OVER THE TALKING POINTS IN THE REPTTEL AND CALLED HIS ATTENTION TO THE EXPLANATORY ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROPOSAL. GALTIERI SEEMED PARTICULARLY STRUCK BY THE STATEMENT THAT WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO DESCRIBE THE TEXT AS A U.S. PROPOSAL AND WILL PUBLISH IT IF NECESSARY. HE MADE NO OTHER COMMENT ON THE PROPOSAL BUT PROMISED ME A RESPONSE BEFORE 2400 HOURS TODAY.

3. GALTIERI DID ADD THAT NO ONE WANTED WAR BUT THAT IF THE BRITISH ATTACKED, ARGENTINA WOULD RESIST WITH ALL MEANS AT HAND. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE GOA COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHY THE USG WITH ALL ITS RESOURCES COULD NOT STOP MRS. THACHER FROM LAUNCHING THIS

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ATTACK SO THAT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION COULD BE FOUND. I REITERATED THAT YOU HAD DONE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION AND THAT THIS WAS THE LAST CHANCE. HE SEEMED TO ACCEPT THAT.

4. GALTIERI IS MEETING NOW WITH THE JUNTA AND THEY

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HAVE THE PROPOSAL AND THE OTHER DOCUMENTS BEFORE THEM. I HAVE SENT WORD THAT I AM AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER CONSULTATION WHENEVER THEY MIGHT WISH.

5. GALTIERI APPEARED TIRED BUT COMPOSED. I SENSED AN AIR OF RESIGNATION ABOUT HIM.  
SHLAUDEMAN



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