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MY TELNOS 255 AND 256 :VISIT OF TAM DALYELL MP

1. TODAY'S EDITION OF THE WEEKLY (AND EXTREMELY PRO ARGENTINE) MAGAZINE 'CARETAS' ALSO CARRIES AN ARTICLE, WHICH SUGGESTS THAT THIS VISIT AROSE FROM A COMMENT BY PRESIDENT BELAUNDE IN MARCH DURING AN INTERVIEW WITH THE ARGENTINE MAGAZINE 'TODO ES HISTORIA'. REFERRING TO THE PERUVIAN PEACE PLAN, BELAUNDE REPEATEDLY SAID TO THE INTERVIEWER FELIX LUNA THAT HE POSSESSED VERY IMPORTANT UNPUBLISHED DOCUMENTS AND QUOTE ONE DAY I'M GOING TO REVEAL THE LAST BRITISH DOCUMENT I SENT TO GALTIERI BY TELEX UNQUOTE. THE COMMENT WAS APPARENTLY RELAYED TO DALYELL BY THE ARGENTINE ACADEMIC GUILLERMO MAKIN, WHO ACCOMPANIED DALYELL ON THE LIMA VISIT.

2. 'CARETA' STATES THAT DALYELL WAS RECEIVED BY EX PREMIER ULLOA IN ADDITION TO THE PRESIDENT, BUT THAT EX WAR MINISTER CISNEROS CRIED OFF THE APPOINTMENT AT THE LAST MOMENT. THE ARTICLE NOTES THAT DALYELL RETURNED TO LONDON WITHOUT THE PRESIDENTS QUOTE SECRET PAPER UNQUOTE.

3. IN THE 'CARETAS' ARTICLE, DALYELL REPEATS HIS CHARGES ABOUT THE SINKING OF THE BELGRANO BEING QUOTE FOR MILITARY PURPOSES UNQUOTE AND MENTIONS THE QUOTE TRIVIALISATION UNQUOTE BY HMG OF THE PERUVIAN INITIATIVE. THE ARTICLE ENDS BY SAYING THAT DALYELL GAVE A LENGTHY INTERVIEW, THE IMPLICATION BEING THAT MORE WILL BE REVEALED IN DUE COURSE (THIS VERSION MUST ONLY JUST HAVE BEATEN THE 'CARETAS' DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING MATERIAL.

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1. IN ITS EDITION OF 22 OCTOBER EL COMERCIO CARRIES WHAT IT DESCRIBES AS AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH TAM DALYELL QUOTE FOLLOWING A PRIVATE VISIT DURING WHICH DALYELL SAW PRESIDENT BELAUNDE AND OTHER PERUVIAN POLITICIANS UNQUOTE.
2. DALYELL IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT THE PRIME MINISTER ORDERED THE SINKING OF THE BELGRANO TO PREVENT THE PERUVIAN PEACE PLAN FROM SUCCEEDING AND THAT THE PRIME MINISTER'S WISH FOR A MILITARY VICTORY HAD FRUSTRATED THE NEGOTIATIONS AT THE UN, DESPITE THE MEDIATION OF THE PERUVIAN SECRETARY GENERAL.
3. DALYELL IS ALSO REPORTED AS SAYING QUOTE IT IS TOTALLY FALSE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER DID NOT KNOW OF THE PERUVIAN PEACE PLAN UNTIL 3 HOURS AFTER THE SINKING UNQUOTE. THE PROOF IS THAT THE PLAN QUOTE WAS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE BY BOTH THE ENGLISH AND ARGENTINE NEGOTIATORS AND THE AMBASSADORS OF BOTH COUNTRIES WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SIGN THE DOCUMENT ON THE SAME DAY. THE PERUVIAN AUTHORITIES WHO WERE INVOLVED WOULD BE ABLE TO SHOW THE RESPECTIVE DOCUMENTATION TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE PEACE PLAN OF PRESIDENT BELAUNDE WAS PERFECTLY VIABLE UNQUOTE. DALYELL ADDED THAT US SUPPORTED THE UK TO OBTAIN BRITISH SUPPORT FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF MEDIUM RANGE MISSILES IN EUROPE.

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