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LETTER DATED 2 MARCH 1966 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF SPAIN
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

With reference to my note dated 20 January 1966,^{1/} to which I attached a copy of a Note Verbale sent by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain to the United Kingdom Embassy in Madrid informing the latter that the Spanish Government was prepared to begin the negotiations with the United Kingdom provided for in resolution 2070 (XX) on Gibraltar, I have the honour to inform you that the United Kingdom Embassy replied to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain, in a note dated 14 February 1966, that its Government was prepared to begin negotiations. In reply, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain sent the United Kingdom Ambassador in Madrid the note dated 23 February 1966 of which I attach a photostat.

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this letter and the note dated 23 February 1966 which is annexed to it circulated as a General Assembly document.

(Signed) Manuel AZNAR
Ambassador, Permanent Representative
of Spain to the United Nations

^{1/} Document A/6242.

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

NOTE VERBALE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the United Kingdom Embassy and has pleasure in expressing its Government's satisfaction at the contents of Note Verbale No. 82, dated 14 February 1966, in which the United Kingdom Embassy conveyed its Government's acceptance of the proposal by the Spanish Government contained in the latter's Note Verbale No. 19, dated 17 January 1966.

The Spanish Government is prepared to enter into negotiations on Gibraltar on the terms recommended in the United Nations resolution of 16 December 1965, and it accepts the United Kingdom Government's proposal that those negotiations should take place in London at the earliest date convenient to both Governments. The Ministry holds itself at the disposal of the United Kingdom Embassy in Madrid for the purpose of fixing this date by mutual agreement.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Kingdom Embassy the assurance of its highest consideration.

Madrid, 23 February 1966

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S EMBASSY IN MADRID
