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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING
OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

Letter dated 23 March 1981 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to address Your Excellency on the question of the Falkland Islands.

In accordance with separate communiqués issued in London and Buenos Aires on 27 February 1981 by the British and Argentine Governments, a meeting was held at ministerial level in New York on 23 and 24 February 1981 to discuss the Falkland Islands question, within the negotiating framework referred to in the relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly. This meeting followed the talks the two Governments held in April 1980.

The British and Argentine delegations were led respectively by Mr. Nicholas Ridley, Minister of State at the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and Comodoro Carlos R. Cavándoli, Under-Secretary of State at the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship.

Both delegations concluded that their respective Governments should be informed, and agreed that this question should be examined in further negotiations at an early date.

I request Your Excellency to arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 19 of the preliminary list and brought to the attention of the Special Committee on Decolonization.

(Signed) W. E. H. WHYTE

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