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OF COSTA RICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE
PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On express instructions from the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship, Mr. Fernando Volio Jiménez, I have the honour to transmit to you the text of the following communiqué issued today by the Costa Rican Ministry of Foreign Affairs in connexion with the current conflict in the South Atlantic region:

"The new Government of Costa Rica set forth its position regarding the conflict over the Malvinas in a communiqué from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship dated 15 May 1982 which was circulated as Security Council document S/15090 dated 18 May 1982.

"Costa Rica now reiterates the views in that communiqué. At the same time, given the deterioration of the situation and the extreme seriousness of developments, it expresses its consternation at the loss of human life which has occurred and is continuing to occur, and, in particular, at the deep wound which the warlike acts are inflicting on a noble and enlightened people of our Latin America.

"Accordingly, Costa Rica considers it imperative that the Security Council should call on the parties to cease warlike activities immediately and to resume their dialogue with a view to reaching a peaceful settlement through the intervention of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who should be given the broadest and clearest mandate. Similarly, Costa Rica urges the two parties to the conflict to do their utmost, in the interest of peace, to enable the Secretary-General to fulfil his mandate."

I hereby request you, as a matter of urgency, to have this communication circulated as a Security Council document.

(<u>Signed</u>) Emilia C. de BARISH
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Alternate Permanent Representative
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