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THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES ADDRESSED TO THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

I have the honour to transmit to you, for whatever purposes you may deem appropriate, the text of resolution CP/RES.359 (490/82) entitled "The situation obtaining between the Republic of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in relation to the Malvinas (Falkland) Islands", adopted by the Permanent Council of the Organization at its extraordinary session held on 13 April 1982.

(Signed) Alejandro ORFILA
Secretary-General

Annex

CP/RES.359 (490/82)

THE SITUATION OBTAINING BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA AND
THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND IN
RELATION TO THE MALVINAS (FALKLAND) ISLANDS

WHEREAS:

The dispute between the Republic of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in relation to the Malvinas (Falkland) Islands is endangering the peace of the hemisphere, and

The fundamental principles and purposes established in the Charter of the Organization of American States include those of strengthening the peace and security of the continent, preventing possible causes of difficulties and ensuring the peaceful settlement of disputes,

THE PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its profound concern over the serious situation that the Republic of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland now face.
2. To express its fervent hope that a rapid, peaceful solution can be found to the disagreement between the two nations within the context of the rules of international law.
3. To offer its friendly co-operation in the peace efforts already under way, in the hope of contributing in this way to a peaceful settlement of the dispute that will avert once and for all the danger of war between countries that deserve the respect of the international community.
