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LETTER DATED 4 MAY 1982 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF
IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Further to my letter of 3 May 1982 (S/15036), I have the honour to enclose the text of a further statement issued today by the Government of Ireland concerning developments in the region of the Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas).

I should be grateful if you would arrange to have this statement circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Noel DORR
Permanent Representative

Annex

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Text of the statement issued by the Government
of Ireland on 4 May 1982

The Government is appalled by the outbreak of what amounts to open war between Argentina and Great Britain in the South Atlantic and at reports that hundreds of lives have already been lost. It sees the present situation as a serious threat to world peace.

The concern expressed by the Government in its statement on Sunday has now, unfortunately, been realized. It is imperative that the United Nations become involved immediately to secure an end to the present conflict.

Accordingly, the Irish Government will seek an immediate meeting of the Security Council, in order to prepare a new resolution calling for:

1. An immediate cessation of hostilities by both British and Argentinian forces;
2. The negotiation of a diplomatic settlement under the auspices of the United Nations.

The Irish Government regards the application of economic sanctions as no longer appropriate and will therefore be seeking the withdrawal of these sanctions by the Community.
