UNITED S



Security Council

Distr. GENERAL

s/15152 2 June 1982 ENGLISH ORIGINAL: SPANISH

LETTER DATED 2 JUNE 1982 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ARGENTINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On express instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention the following communiqué issued by the Joint General Staff of the Argentine Armed Forces:

Communiqué No. 117 dated 1 June 1982

"The Joint General Staff announces that today, 1 June 1982, at 12.45 p.m., the hospital ship of the Argentine Navy Bahía Paraiso arrived at Puerto Argentino Bay. Pursuant to the Geneva Convention, the ship is painted white with red-cross markings identifying it as a hospital ship. It made its entry accompanied by a tugboat and was expected to dock at 1 p.m.

"The <u>Bahía Paraiso</u> will take on board the wounded from Puerto Argentino and will later rendezvous, at a place to be determined by the respective commanders with the British hospital ship <u>Uganda</u>, from which wounded Argentines will be transferred.

"When the operation is completed, the Argentine ship will make for a port on our coast."

I request you to have this letter urgently circulated as a Security Council document.

(Signed) Arnoldo M. LISTRE
Ambassador