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LETTER DATED 14 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

I have the honour to address you, on express instructions from my Government, in order to bring to your attention the text of the communication addressed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Argentine Republic to the Regional Delegation for Latin America of the International Committee of the Red Cross:

"On the occasion of the visit made by the delegates of the International Committee of the Red Cross to Puerto Argentino on 10 and 11 June, Mr. Martín Fuhrer discussed with the local authorities the establishment of a neutral zone in that town. On the basis of these conversations and in accordance with article 15 of the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949, the Argentine authorities have decided to establish a neutral zone in Puerto Argentino.

This zone will include the Cathedral and the area delimited by Ross, John, Dean and Thilomed streets.

This zone is designed to shelter from the fighting without any distinction, the following persons:

- (a) Combatants and non-combatants who are wounded and sick;
- (b) Civilians who are not participating in the hostilities and who are performing no task of a military nature during their stay in the zone;
- (c) Personnel entrusted with the organization, administration and control of the zone, designated by the local authorities.

The zone will not include any military equipment except the arms taken from wounded or sick combatants who are in the zone.

The local authorities will immediately notify the population of Puerto Argentino of the whereabouts of the neutral zone and the categories of persons admitted to it.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship takes this opportunity to reiterate to the Regional Delegation for Latin America of the International Committee of the Red Cross the assurances of its highest consideration."

I request that this letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Arnolfo M. LISTRE
Ambassador
