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Letter dated 31 May 1985 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations addressed
to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you the attached copy of a resolution (CPR 426) of the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States entitled "Concern at the establishment by the United Kingdom of military installations on the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)". That resolution was adopted without objection on 30 May 1985.

I should like to request that this note and its annex be distributed urgently as a document of the General Assembly under item 23 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council, and brought to the attention of the Special Committee on the Situation with Regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

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ANNEX

Resolution CPR 426 entitled "Concern at the establishment by the United Kingdom of military installations on the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)" adopted at Washington on 30 May 1985 by the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States

HAVING REGARD TO:

The presentation made to this Permanent Council on 15 May 1985 by the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Argentine Republic which:

(a) Denounces the situation created in the South Atlantic by the existence of military infrastructure, installations and equipment, including a strategic airport, set up by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the Falkland Islands (Malvinas), which threatens the peace and security of the region;

(b) Affirms that the construction of a strategic base near to the American continent in the South Atlantic will turn this area, which has until now been protected from international tensions world-wide, into a field for preparations by the great Powers; and

(c) Reiterates Argentina's readiness to resume the negotiations requested by the General Assemblies of the Organization of American States and the United Nations in order to find a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute and their other differences on this question as soon as possible.

The fact that a situation which has affected and still affects seriously the peace and security of the American continent persists in the South Atlantic area, within the security region defined in article 4 of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance,

CONSIDERING:

The non-compliance with resolutions 595 (XII - O/82), 669 (XIII - O/83) and 700 (XV - O/84) of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States and 37/9, 38/12 and 39/6 of the General Assembly of the United Nations urging the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom to resume negotiations with a view to resolving the sovereignty dispute.

The opening by the United Kingdom of a military airport on the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

That the introduction of military installations, troops and weapons onto the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) conflicts with the necessary process of peaceful negotiation of the dispute between the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom and may be a threat to the peace and security of the region.

DECIDES:

1. To reiterate the appeals to the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom to renew negotiations in order to find a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute and their other differences on this question as soon as possible.
2. To express its concern at the establishment by the United Kingdom of military installations on the Falkland Islands (Malvinas), which heightens tension in this area and impedes the negotiations which that country and the Argentine Republic must resume in order to resolve the question.
3. To transmit this resolution to the President of the United Nations General Assembly and the Secretary-General of the United Nations so that the opinion of the American States on this situation can be noted.
