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MENT TO HOST GOVERNMENT~~

16. (U) THIS IR FORWARDS VIEWS OF A HIGH RANK ARGENTINE MILITAR  
OFFICER CONCERNING THE USG HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY AND ITS IMPACT ON  
THE FORMULATION OF FOREIGN POLICY OF NATIONAS TRADITIONALLY FRIEND-  
LY TO THE US.

Sec. 3.3(b) (1)

A CONVERSATION  
WHOSE THEME WAS THE IMPACT OF USG HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY ON GOA AND ON  
OTHER NATIONS TRADITIONALLY FRIENDLY TO THE US. THE US, ON WHOM  
ARGENTINA TRADITIONALLY HAS LOOKED AS "ITS SHIELD" (SOURCES WORDS)  
WHEN PARTICIPATING IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL FORUMS AND AFFAIRS,  
HAS TURNED ITS BACK ON ARGENTINA. USG POLICIES AND ACTIONS TOWARD  
GOA WERE VIEWED AS SEVERE ENOUGH TO GENERATE A "NO LONGER NEED OF  
THE US AS A FRIEND OR ALLY" FEELING AND ATTITUDE PERMEATE THE  
UPPERMOST LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE GOA. [Sec. 3.3(b) (1)] WHETHER THE  
FEELING AND ATTITUDE WAS VIEWED BY GOA TO BE AN ENDURING ONE, SOURCE  
RESPONDED, NO. IT WOULD NOT BE A LONG-LASTING ONE--BUT QUALIFIED  
THE STATEMENT BY ADDING, "UNTIL THE US COMES AROUND, ANYWAY."

2. "USG PRESSURES AND ACTIONS WORLDWIDE HAVE PUSHED ARGENTINA AND  
OTHER TRADITIONALLY FRIENDLY TO THE US NATIONS, LIKE SOUTH AFRICA,  
TO TAKE SIDES WITH NATIONS OR REGIONALY GROUPS OF NATIONS WITH WHICH  
THEY FEEL NO COMPATIBILITY OR CONGRUENCE. ARGENTINA IS A  
WESTERN HEMISPHERE NATION AND BELONGS WITHIN THAT GROUP OF  
NATIONS. WHAT DO WE HAVE IN COMMON WITH COUNTRIES LIKE SRI  
LANKA, FOR EXAMPLES," AND ADDED, "WE ARE NOT PART OF THE NON-  
ALIGNED NATIONS MOVEMENT, EITHER." THE REASON, HE SAID, IS THAT  
GOA MUST NOW SEEK SHELTER FROM SUCH NATIONS AND BARGAIN FOR  
THEIR SUPPORT OF ARGENTINE POSITIONS, AS THEY ARISE. THE FENCE  
GONE (THE US SUPPORT), WE MUST NOW PROTECT OURSELVE. SOURCE  
THEN GAVE AN EXAMPLE OF US REFUSAL TO PROVIDE SPARE PARTS  
FOR THE A4B/C AIRCRAFT IN ARGAF INVENTORY AS A MEASURE WHICH  
FORCED GOA TO SEEK FULFILLMENT OF NEEDS ELSEWHERE. TO

[ ] LEADING QUESTION OF "I IMAGE THAT SOLVED MANY OF YOUR  
PROBLEMS," SOURCE RESPONDED VERY NEGATIVELY. HE SAID VEY  
MANY DIFFICULTIES AROSE AND REMAIN WITH THE FRENCH CONCERNING  
GOA PURCHASES OF MILITARY HARDWARE FROM GOF. HE INDICATED A  
GREAT DEAL OF DISSATISFACTION EXISTS WITHIN GOA ON SERVICES  
PROVIDED AND/OR MATERIEL ACQUISITIONS FROM FRANCE. HE CON-

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CLUDED SAYING THE FRENCH WERE IN THE BUSINESS FOR PURELY  
ECONOMIC REASONS AND THEIR POLICIES GREATLY BENEFITED THEM.  
GOA VIEWS GUF MILITARY SALES TO ARGENTINA NOT WITH THE AIM  
OF HELPING A FRIEND, SUPPORT THE GOVERNMENT, OR STRENGTHEN THE  
COUNTRY. THE REASON IS A SELFISH ONE.

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