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I should record that Mr Maxwell-Hyslop MP telephoned this morning. He said that in his capacity as the Chairman of the Anglo/Brazilian Parliamentary Group he had attended on 26 April a Brazilian reception. It had been quite clear from his conversation with the Brazilian Ambassador here that Sr Campos no longer saw himself as an Ambassador but as a candidate for the forthcoming elections at Matto Grosso. He had taken a violently pro-Argentine line on the Falklands. Mr Maxwell-Hyslop said that he had also talked to the Economic Counsellor at the Embassy, Sr Valentino, who was very unhappy about the Ambassador's attitude and clearly wanted to talk to somebody about it. He had accepted an invitation from Mr Maxwell-Hyslop to dinner either on 27 or 28 April. Mr Maxwell-Hyslop said in passing that he was a very close friend of the previous Brazilian Ambassador who was now in New York. Mr Maxwell-Hyslop made it clear that he did not expect any action from us but was simply passing this on for what it was worth.

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