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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON OIL POLLUTION PREPAREDNESS,
RESPONSE AND CO-OPERATION, 1990**

Communication from the United Kingdom

The Secretary-General received, on 22 February 1996, the following communication from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the United Kingdom:

"The Foreign and Commonwealth Office presents its compliments to the International Maritime Organization and has the honour to refer to circular OPRC/Circ.11 of 20 July 1994, reference B1/C/2.03 concerning a communication from the Argentine Republic about ratification of the International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation, 1990.

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland have noted the declaration of the Government of Argentina concerning rights of sovereignty and of territorial and maritime jurisdiction over the Falkland Islands and South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands.

The British Government have no doubt about the sovereignty of the United Kingdom over the Falkland Islands, as well as South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands. The British Government can only reject as unfounded the claims by the Government of Argentina."
