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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT BUSH TO PRESIDENT MENEM

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT BUSH
TO PRESIDENT MENEM AT APPROPRIATE TIME. WHITE HOUSE DOES
NOT PLAN TO RELEASE TEXT OF MESSAGE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION
IF GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA WISHES TO DO SO. SIGNED
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2. BEGIN TEXT:

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NOVEMBER 10, 1992

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT FOR MY
NONPROLIFERATION INITIATIVE. UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP,
ARGENTINA HAS ACTED BOLDLY TO INCORPORATE ITSELF INTO THE
WORLD COMMUNITY AND TO ADDRESS THE DANGERS OF
PROLIFERATION. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS
CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO CONTROL THE PROLIFERATION OF

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WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND
TECHNOLOGY.

I WAS PLEASED TO LEARN FROM AMBASSADOR TODMAN THAT YOUR
GOVERNMENT IS MOVING TOWARD EARLY DESTRUCTION OF THE
CONDOR MISSILE COMPONENTS. THAT IS VERY GOOD NEWS
INDEED. CONDOR ISSUES HAVE UNFORTUNATELY DEPLETED
ATTENTION FROM ARGENTINA'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE
ADVANCEMENT OF NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS, EXPORT CONTROLS AND
OTHER NONPROLIFERATION INITIATIVES, WHILE COMPLICATING
RELATIONS WITH US AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MISSILE
TECHNOLOGY CONTROL REGIME. THANKS TO YOUR LEADERSHIP, I
AM CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO AN EARLY
RESOLUTION OF THESE ISSUES.

WARM BEST WISHES,

SINCERELY, GEORGE BUSH

HIS EXCELLENCY

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PRESIDENT OF THE ARGENTINE NATION
BUENOS AIRES

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