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PRESIDENT TRUONG CHINH REPLIES PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO  
RUZ'S LETTER

VNA May 18 - Truong Chinh, President of the Council of State of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, has replied to a letter from Fidel Castro Ruz, President of the non-Aligned Movement, concerning the serious situation on the Malvinas Islands as created by Britain with U.S. blessing.

The full text as follows :

" I have received your letter dated May 10 concerning the very grave situation in the area of the Malvinas Islands. I fully agree with your view, the war actions being taken by the British Authorities with the backing of the United States in an attempt to restore the colonial status of the Malvinas Islands not only run-counter to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Argentina, a member of the Non-Aligned movement, but also threaten peace and security in that region.

Backing Britain's opposition to Argentina, the authorities in Washington have fully revealed their colonialist aggressive nature and their effort to seize every opportunity to strengthen intervention and creating tension in service of their imperialistic interests against other nations' independence and sovereignty against world peace and international security.

The Socialist Republic of Vietnam, true to the principles and objectives of the Non-Aligned movement, reaffirms its recognition of the Republic of Argentina's sovereignty over the Malvinas Islands. It severely condemns Britain and the United States and demands that they put an immediate end to all aggressive actions and respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Argentina.

I avail myself of this opportunity to convey to you the assurance of my highest consideration",/.