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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

Tour Extension of Commander, United States Military

Group, Argentina

JCSM-410-75, subject: Nomination of Commander,

United States Military Group, Argentina, dated

18 November 1975

The request for tour extension of Colonel Robert W. Tart, USA, as Commander, United States Military Group, Argentina until April 1977, is approved.

> (Signed) Robert Ellsworth Assistant back-way of Dofonse

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### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

December 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO:

DOD/DSAA - Col. R. L. White

FROM:

PM/SAS - David McClintock

SUBJECT:

Nomination of Commander, United States Military Group, Argentina

The Department of State concurs in the nomination of Colonel Robert W. Tart, Jr., USA, as Commander, United States Military Group, Argentina.

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## THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

#### JC6M-410-75

18 November 1975

#### MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Subject: Nomination of Commander, United States Military Group, Argentina

1. Reference attached memorandum by the Chief, Colonels Division, OFD, Department of the Army, 7 November 1975, Subject as above, and paragraph IV A 10 of DOD Directive 5132.3, 20 December 1972.

2. The Joint Chiefs of Staff recommend that you approve the nomination of Colonel Robert W. Tart, Jr., USA, as Commander, United States Military Group, Argentias.

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

SIGNED

ADRIAN ST JOHN
Major General, USA
Vice Director
Joint Staff

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INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE, OP-63
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

SUBJECT: Aircraft Carrier; Argentine Navy Request for

Reference: OP-63 Memo Ser 634F/C175367 of 1 December 1975

Reference forwarded a proposed draft reply to Admiral Vanek, Argentine Naval Attache, advising him that HANCOCK Class aircraft carriers will not be offered for sale under the Foreign Military Sales Program.

Department of State has been notified of Navy's proposed response to the Argentine Navy. State and DSAA concur in the response with the noted changes.

State Diplomatic Note dated 12 December 1975 to the Argentine Government disapproved their request for a HANCOCK Class carrier.

SIGNED

Attachment a/s

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Dear Admiral Vanek:

Admiral Barrow has referred your letters of 10 June and 16 October 1975 to me as a security assistance matter in connection with the possible acquisition of a HANCOCK Class carrier by the Argentine Navy.

Please be assured that a more timely reply was not feasible since the U.S. Navy has been in the midst of reassessing its aircraft carrier requirements. Based on this reassessment and in accordance with currently established U.S. Government policy, it has been determined that HANCOCK Class aircraft carriers will not be offered for sale under the Foreign Military Sales (FNS) program. This decision was made after careful scrutiny of national policy, including the anticipated reaction of the legislative branch of the U.S. Government. In addition, while certainly larger and more capable than your present carrier the ships that are being considered are over thirty years old. The ability of the U.S. Navy to support these ships in the foreseeable future would be very marginal at best.

The U.S. Navy fully recognizes and appreciates the modernization goal of your Navy to include an aircraft carrier. We also realize the impact that a determination on our part not to meet your request for a carrier as a replacement for the 25 DE MAYO will have on your way. Please rest assured that we deeply regret our inability to make a favorable response to this specific request.

The U.S. Navy places great value on harmonious relations with the Argentine Navy and we look forward to continuing warm friendship and close cooperation.

Sincerely,