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Secretary of State's Discussions with Mr Haig:
Spain and Gibraltar

During the private discussions which preceded the main session of talks this morning, Mr Haig told Lord Carrington that the Spanish had pressed him very hard on Gibraltar. Paradoxically, the more the Spanish had pressed him, the more he was inclined to believe that the Spaniards were not seriously interested in an early solution which might bring problems over Ceuta and Melilla. [Mr Bullard has expressed doubts about this analysis.]

The Spaniards had said that they would not apply for NATO membership until September.

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