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THIRD INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

**Caribbean regional seminar on the implementation of the Third International
Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: the future for decolonization in
the Non Self-Governing Territories: what are the prospects?**

**Kingstown, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
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STATEMENT BY

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- Since then it has become a tenet of Peronist doctrine which persists
- Argentina has a clause in its Constitution (post the '82 war) pledging to "reclaim" the Islands
- It makes reference only to the "interests" of the Islanders, but not the "wishes"

Argentina effectively ~~looks to~~ colonise the Islands after decades taken to do so

- Argentina's request to support negotiations with UK is not what it seems; there is a pre-determined outcome to colonise (by not respecting our right to self-determination)
- All countries are encouraged, when asked to support such negotiations, to stress the primacy of the

right to self-determination of the Islanders