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At a Feb. 15 press conference, Argentine Foreign Minister Dante Caputo called for the establishment of an international task force to focus on Latin American nations' foreign debt burden as both a political and economic threat. Caputo, who currently serves as United Nations General Assembly chairperson, said that politicians must be told that the debt question is inherently connected to political stability and democracy. Caputo said, "No one can travel at peace in the first class seats of an airplane if a bomb has been placed in economy class...[T]he debt is such a bomb." (Basic data from Xinhua, 02/16/89)

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